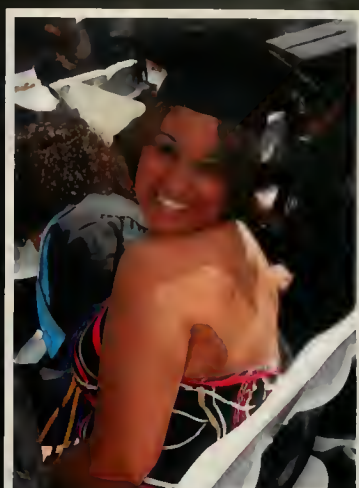


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Step Off

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke achieved several high ratings in academics and diversity for the 2009-10 academic year. The University was also named a military friendly school.

The Princeton Review rated UNCP as one of the best colleges and universities in the Southeast for 2010. The University was selected as one of 141 institutions recommended as "Best in the Southeast."

UNCP ranked first in the South for the diversity of its student body in U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges and Universities 2010." The University also ranked first among North Carolina public master's-granting universities for the number of international students and third for the economic diversity of its students.

G.I. Jobs magazine named UNCP a "Military Friendly School for 2010," ranking UNCP in the top 15 percent of all colleges, universities, and trade schools nationwide. UNCP serves Ft. Bragg through an office on base at the EArmyU Building.

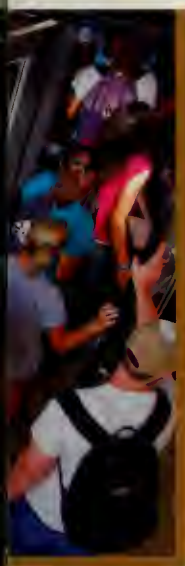


Students enter the GPAC for Fall Convocation. The dedication and passion displayed by every student at UNCP helped the University gain its high rankings in academics for the 2009-10 academic year.



This student leads her group in their performance of Michael Jackson's "Thriller" as part of the opening acts for the Association for Campus Entertainment (A.C.E.)'s Black and Gold Fashion show. During Homecoming, participating students modeled UNCP clothing, bags, and trinkets available at the bookstore.

Running back Keith Gore makes his way into the end zone for a touchdown while his teammates work hard to protect him from the opponents. Even though this was only the third year of football's return to UNCP, we were nationally ranked and slowly making our way into the spotlight.



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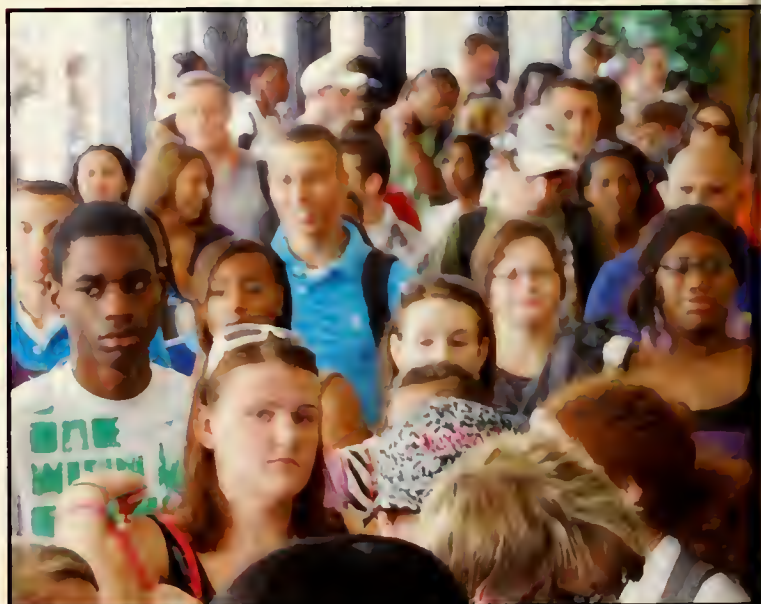
Chancellor Charles Jenkins relaxes and catches up with Sara Brackin from the Office of International Programs at the Chancellor's dinner in September 2010.

Dr. Allen C. Meadors speaks at an event during the Spring 2009 semester. Meadors served as UNCP's chancellor for 10 years before leaving in July 2009 to take the helm at his alma mater, the University of Central Arkansas.




Mindy Hubbard, Nick Phillips, Amanda Hocutt, and Addison Teachey show their UNCP spirit during the Homecoming game.

Convocation brings a record number of attendees to the GPAC due to the 13.9 percent increase in freshman enrollment.




Step On



Students, faculty, and staff of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke have seen some big changes on campus this academic year. The UNCP community has welcomed a new chancellor and seen a dramatic increase in enrollment. We said goodbye to Dr. Allen C. Meadors, who served as Chancellor for 10 years, and welcomed Dr. Charles Jenkins as his replacement. Dr. Meadors accomplished a lot for UNCP during his time here; notably, he continued to preserve the University's heritage, grew enrollment, and brought football back to the school.

Chancellor Jenkins, former Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, has devoted 38 years of service to UNCP and knows a lot about the University and surrounding region. Dr. Jenkins served as Chancellor on an interim basis for the 2009-2010 academic year while the University searched for the next chancellor. "I see this as another opportunity to serve UNC Pembroke, which greatly affects this region and the state," Dr. Jenkins said. "There is much work to do, and I hope that I can be of service in a smooth transition to a permanent chancellor."



Ten years ago, enrollment at UNCP was 3,445, with 579 freshmen. Since last year academic year alone, enrollment increased 5.7 percent, stepping up to 6,664 and setting an all-time record. Freshman, transfer, and out-of-state enrollment increased as well. Students attending UNCP came from 92 of the 100 North Carolina counties, 28 states, and 20 foreign countries. In addition to the significant increase in student enrollment, full-time faculty increased to 324 in 2009 from 312 the previous year.

Step Out

Events and activities for students at UNCP kept everyone busy on and off campus. From Pembroke Day to football games, student life was thriving this year. This summer, several departments also took students on trips to other countries, giving them the opportunity to step out of the classroom and enhance their learning.

Of course students looked forward to annual events such as Relay for Life, the Miss UNCP Scholarship Pageant, and several Pow Wows. And this year, the University had a record number of people attend football games and tailgating activities. Students, community members, alumni, faculty, and staff all stepped up to support the Braves this season.

Students were also involved in the search for the next Chancellor. While Dr. Charles Jenkins served as Chancellor on an interim basis for the 2009-2010 academic year, many underclassmen attended forums and voiced their opinions on what qualities they wanted in the next Chancellor.



Kimberly Nguyen, dressed as Lady Gaga, stops and signs some autographs before making her way into the University Bookstore for the 11th annual Halloween costume contest. Many students kicked off their Halloween weekend by stopping by the Bookstore and showing off their creative looks.



A member of the Baptist Student Union arrests the Pizza Inn mascot on Pembroke Day. The BSU has a booth at the event each year, where they arrest innocent passersby and hold them for bail in order to raise money for their organization. Pembroke Day serves a chance for students to intermingle with the community.

Aaron Hollifield and a friend show off their hula-hoop skills during the day-time activities at Relay for Life. Students, faculty, staff, and community members celebrated the third annual Relay for Life at UNCP. The organizers announced that this year's goal of \$22,000 was surpassed at kick-off time.

Student Life

After a long day of raising money, participants turn in and some turn on the TV for some R&R and re-runs.



Spring is here and the time is right for Dancing in the Street.

Many students walk, run, and even trike their way and the path!



A student smiles for the camera while lighting a luminary for her loved one.



Relay for Life Brings New

Hope

for Cancer Survivors

Glowing luminaries lined the walkways of the campus during the nighttime activities of the third annual Relay for Life on April 17-18. This year's theme was 1 World, 1 Hope, and a ceremony of hope featuring a poetry reading was held at 9 PM. Following that solemn occasion, students, faculty, staff and community were camped out on campus for a night of fun for a good cause.

Students who had actively participated in the day's events had without complaint moved on into the night's. With a block party dance, luminary lighting, and other fun activities going on around them, many people ignored the unusually cold weather and proceeded to have a great time. Throughout the night participants continued to walk around the candle-lit track; many stopped to admire the luminaries that spelled out HOPE and CURE on the bleachers in front of the English E. Jones Health and Physical Education Building.

As the night grew later and the weather became colder, many campers took off their walking shoes, turned down the radio, and climbed into their tents to rest for the night, while others dedicated to the cause continued to walk throughout the night.

A member of ZTA shows off her quarterbacking skills in a game of catch.

Students representing various organizations on campus come together to participate.

Volunteers create hand-decorated T-shirts to be sold to raise funds. Student organizations sold various items, as well as food and other refreshments, during the Relay.



Students and the Community Are

Walking

for a Cure during Relay for Life

Relay for Life brought together students, faculty, staff, campus organizations, and members of the community for an event that not only raises money for cancer research but also shows how much people care and want to help those battling this terrible disease. This year's Relay for Life, the culmination of a series of events held throughout the year, raised \$41,344.02 to help find a cure.

The 24-hour celebration started off in the afternoon of April 17, with Relay for Life committee members being recognized for all their hard work and dedication. Then the walks began, starting with the cancer survivors, then the caregivers who have helped someone fight their battle; each of these groups walked one lap around a candle-lit path. They were followed by teams made up of student organizations and other volunteers, each team representing a different country, who walked in a parade of nations representing the theme: 1 World, 1 Hope. While some continued walking, others enjoyed music, food, games, and other activities, having a good time while raising money for a good cause.

Pie Hitler is a big hit at the Relay, raising money for cancer research.





Students participate in various games such as frisbee on the UC lawn in between events at Relay for Life.



Thomas Morrow, Emily King, and others responsible for planning the 2009 Relay for Life get in on the fun.

RKelly's "I Believe I Can Fly" plays in the background while cancer survivors make their memorable lap around the UC lawn.

Jamaal Anthony sings about the downside of marriage—like taking out the garbage.

Yanissa Perez de Leon, Jamel Lee, Allyson Betot, and Topher McLean are a typical family on a car trip to visit relatives.



Alan Parsons sings about the joys and anxieties of parenthood in "The Baby Song."

Hannah Davisson attends another wedding as a bridesmaid and wonders if she'll ever be a bride.

University Theatre's Spring 2009 Musical Portrays

Relationships

from Dating through Marriage, Parenthood, and Old Age

The musical *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*, with book and lyrics by Joe DiPietro and music by Jimmy Roberts, is a celebration of the "mating game," according to director Hal Davis. "It explores some of the truths and myths behind developing a relationship—from dating and waiting, to love, sex, and marriage," Davis said.

The original production of *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* opened August 1, 1996, at the Westside Theatre in New York and had an extended run Off-Broadway for over 12 years. At that time the cast was comprised of only four actors. Davis said that he decided to use ten cast members because the show consists of a series of scenes and songs where the same characters never reappear. In this production of the show, 51 separate characters took the stage.

The University Theatre production was held on April 22 to 25, 2009, in the Givens Performing Arts Center. Beginning with a dramatically-lit ensemble number, the 20 scenes ranged from young adults starting relationships (or not) through weddings, married life, parenthood, and divorce, ending with an elderly widow and widower who meet at a funeral. Because of the risqué content and nature of the musical, it was rated for mature audiences. The sexual references and comments made on stage gave the audience some big laughs.

The cast featured ten members of the University Players. Hannah Davisson, Topher McLean, and Felicia Vazquez were all excited to make their debut on the GPAC stage. Veterans to the stage included Jamaal Anthony, Allyson Betot, Ruth Golsteyn, Matthew Greenslade, Jamel Lee, Alan Parsons, and Yanissa Perez de Leon. Each cast member played multiple roles for the production.

Along with Davis, Natalie Fields (choreographer/costume designer), David Underwood (scenic/properties/lighting designer), and other staff members and students helped get the production together.

In the program, Davis noted, "Maybe you're on a first date right now or you're sitting next to someone who has been beside you for many years. This show has something for everyone. Life can be funny, at least I hope so."



Matthew Greenslade and Hannah Davisson portray parents eager for a moment of intimacy before their kids wake up.

Ruth Golsteyn and Topher McLean are a couple going out on their first date.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

Vee Oxendine and Mardella Sunshine Costanzo connect the audience to UNCP's Native American heritage during Taste of iWorld.



This student has a close encounter with a snake during Family Day.



This little boy tries his hardest to walk against the pull of a bungee cord on one of the inflatables set up during Family Day.



These little girls learn about reptiles from the herpetologist exhibit during Family Day.

This student adds her hand print to others to symbolize unity during Taste of iWorld.



UNCP Celebrates Its

Connections

to Family and Heritage

As the Spring 2009 semester drew to a close, students, faculty, and staff participated in a number of events that emphasized the strong ties that bind us together as members of larger communities. One of these events was Family Day on April 4. Always a hit with children of all ages, this annual celebration was held in and around the Chavis University Center. There were rides, games, and other activities to amuse the children, and food and entertainment for everyone. For the braver participants, the Herps Alive! exhibit provided a chance for some hands-on experiences with snakes and other reptiles.

The following week, on April 8, many gathered in the UC Lounge for a Taste of iWorld, the annual celebration of the diverse heritages of those who make up the UNCP community. Performers representing Native American, African, and other cultures entertained the crowd, and samples of the arts, handicrafts, and cuisines of many countries were also on display. As seniors got ready to take their final step towards graduation, these events reminded them that they would always remain part of the UNCP family.

Glory Attaochu celebrates her African heritage during Taste of iWorld.

New Degree Holders Are in the

Spotlight

at May 2009 Graduation

A crowd estimated at more than 5,000 gathered on Lumbee Guaranty Field under partly cloudy skies on Saturday, May 2, to see their friends and family members receive degrees at Spring Commencement. For Chancellor Allen C. Meadors, it was his tenth—and final—spring commencement and his largest with more than 600 graduates, including 123 who received graduate degrees. This was the first time that the Irwin Belk Sports Complex was host to commencement.

U.S. Congressman Mike McIntyre from Lumberton delivered the commencement address, which encouraged the graduates to temper freedom with responsibility. "The paradox of true freedom is the more freedom you enjoy, the more responsibility binds us," Rep. McIntyre said. "Freedom has been a sacred possession we have enjoyed as a nation for more than 200 years." "The challenge is to do what we ought to do and to go out and make a difference in the life of our communities," he said. "You are better equipped to do this today with your new degree than ever before."

Mary Ann Elliott, a Lumberton resident and a pioneering entrepreneur in the satellite communications industry, received a Doctorate of Humane Letters and addressed the graduates. Other speakers included outgoing SGA President Hannah Simpson and Faculty Senate president Dr. Tony Curtis. Dr. Susan Cannata, an English professor and the recipient of the 2009 UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence, served as grand marshal.



The graduate above has high hopes for her future, while Leslie Hickman (right) is congratulated on her accomplishment.





Mass Communication major Jessie Bachorin is happy to receive her diploma from Chancellor Meadors.

Nursing graduates proudly wear their new stethoscopes as they are interviewed by News 14 Carolina.



Joey Kirk is happy to wait in-line to receive his degree.

Andra Hale and Matt Kennedy give the graduation a big thumbs-up as they hold their newly earned diplomas.

Eagle feathers for heritage and a NASA patch for the future are proudly displayed by these graduates.



Graduating seniors listen to the speakers intently and excitedly await their turn on stage.

This graduate student is happy to receive the hood signifying her new master's degree.



Even all those medals cannot weigh down this graduate's enthusiasm as he crosses the stage to receive his degree.

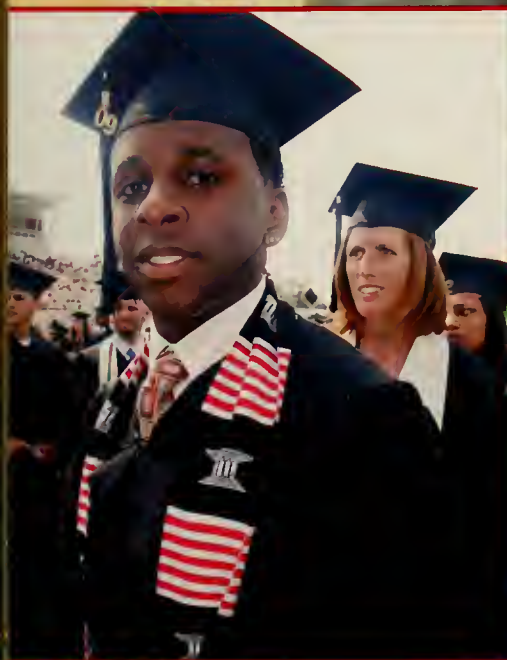
Tri-Sigma sister Caroline Goins may be wearing shades, but her spirits are bright as she waits for her turn on the stage.



May 2009 Graduates Are Stepping

Out

from UNCP into the Real World



As UNCP's graduates launched themselves into the future, their plans for the summer revealed diverse directions. Sean DeRuntz, an accounting graduate from Southern Pines, wasn't looking for a job. "I'm going to take a shot at a section of the CPA exam," DeRuntz said. Ryan Regan, a Pembroke native, said his future was in the nation's capital. "I have a one-year student internship with the Bureau of Legislative Affairs in the State Department," Regan said. Lisa Walters, from Polkton, said she would take a break. "First, I will work for a month here at UNCP," Walters said. "Then I'm going to get my apartment ready and take a mental break." Walters planned to attend medical school at East Carolina University in the fall.

Charlie Noble of Lumberton planned to interview for a job. "I interned with the U.S. Marshals, and I am interviewing with them," Noble said. Brenda Eldridge, who also graduated with a degree in accounting, said she would move to Kansas in the summer. "My husband is in the military, and we'll be there for a year while he takes graduate courses," Eldridge said. Christian Felkl, outgoing editor of UNCP's award-winning student newspaper, planned to look for a job in television. "I am hoping to get a job with TV News 14," Felkl said. "It's been a great four years." Clinton Haywood, a veteran from Pembroke,

Kappa Alpha Psi brother Chris Lynch represents his fraternity with his sash during graduation.

said he was staying at UNCP. "I am not leaving yet," Haywood said. "I've been accepted into the MBA program, and I hope to start classes this summer."

UNCP students take the

Plunge

into 2009 Summer Session

Several departments took students on trips outside of the country over the summer as part of their instruction. The Cultures in Contact class, taught by Dr. Jesse Peters, Dean of the Maynor Honors College, ventured to several cities in Belize to observe and become part of the culture they had learned about all semester. The four students—who attended the trip experienced Belize through hiking, snorkeling, climbing ancient Mayan temples, and meeting the various peoples who make up the population. Along with Honors faculty member Dr. Susan G. Smith, the students enjoyed a Belizean paradise while revisiting concepts learned in the classroom.

The 12 students in Dr. Therese Rizzo's Courtship Rituals in British Literature class spent nine days in London during Maymester; they visited museums and galleries and attended two course-related theatrical performances. Each student researched a different London neighborhood and then led the class on a tour of the area, concentrating on features that exemplified various class and gender issues they had read about. At the end of the course—back home—all took a challenging final exam.

Other students also took some trips to exotic landscapes. Biology students visited Costa Rica, and Geology students participated in a summer field trip.

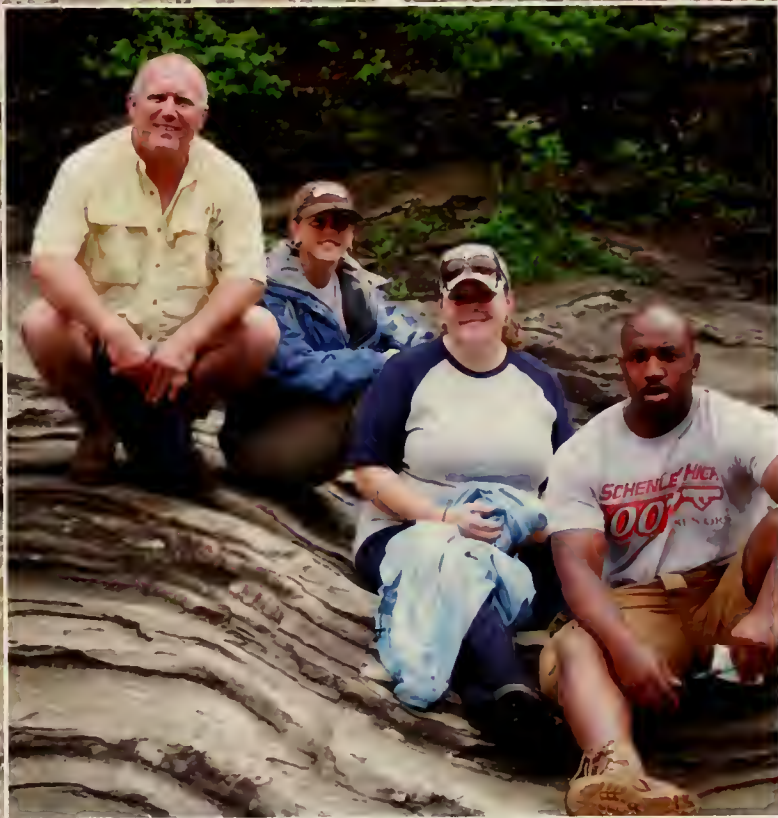
Taking Schmidt diving up a 33-foot 4110-foot high Mayan temple in Lamanai, Belize.





Natasha Bacon, Jorge Picuda, and Veronica Wilson learn the basics of bird watching in the outskirts of a Mayan village with Belizean tour guide Glen.

Students get up close and personal with rock formations during the Geology Field Trip class.



Students in Dr. Thelma Rizzo's 'Courtship Rituals' in British Literature class visit a museum in London.

Jorge Picuda observes Belizean deer cubs Glen crack a coconut open with a machete on the beach at Hopkins, Belize.

The drum line from the marching band helps students get into the right spirit for the new school year during Hail to UNCP.

Chancellor and Mrs. Jenkins meet members of the faculty at a reception at the start of the Fall semester.



Freshman Seminar students take their seats in the GPAC for the Fall Convocation on August 26.

Miss UNCP Katy Locklear lights a candle for a student during the Hail to UNCP ceremony on August 18.





Students dress casually but faculty are in full academic regalia as they wait outside the GPAC for the Fall Convocation to begin.

Candles symbolize a new beginning for students as they learn about the "Legend of the Rock" during Hail to UNCP.



Fall 2009 Is a New

Beginning

for the UNCP Community

New and returning students gathered around the Tommy Hawk statue outside the UC on the evening of Tuesday, August 18, for Hail to UNCP, a new event that kicked off the school year with a performance by the marching band and a candle-lighting ceremony to foster unity and school spirit. The following Monday, August 24, Chancellor Charles Jenkins and his wife Karen welcomed faculty and staff at a reception in the UC Annex. Dr. Jenkins, a former UNCP Provost, served this year as chancellor on an interim basis while a search was conducted for a permanent replacement for Dr. Allen Meadors, who left UNCP in July to become president of the University of Central Arkansas.

On Wednesday, August 26, faculty and administrators marched into the GPAC in full academic regalia for the annual Fall Convocation, the formal opening of the academic year. All students in Freshman Seminar classes attended this event, where they were welcomed by the Chancellor, SGA President Arjay Quizon, and other speakers and challenged and inspired by the keynote address delivered by Dr. Tony Curtis.

Pembroke Day Brings

Together

Community and Students

Pembroke Day is an amazing way for students to see what the university and town have to offer. The 21st annual Pembroke Day festivities broke all-time records with over 4,000 people from the town of Pembroke and campus of UNCP. Starting early on September 9, around 9 AM, organizations and businesses began setting up their tables for the festivities, which kicked off with an opening ceremony at 10 AM. Campus organizations, sororities, fraternities, and local businesses set up colorful tables to inform UNCP students and community members what they are about and what events they had coming up. Clubs and organizations on campus use Pembroke Day as an opportunity to recruit new members, while some businesses sell their products to give out enticing coupons. This year, a Pizza Inn mascot made his way to Pembroke Day, along with free slices of pizza.

The live entertainment is always a fun and exciting mixture of students, special guests, and guest speakers. As attendees walked from table to table, they had the chance to get their face painted or receive a caricature. Dancers, singers, the University band and chorus, and pageant winners from all pageants in the immediate area attended the festivities and gave performances throughout the day.

Heather Blue gets ready to have her face painted at Pembroke Day.



Jamie VanLent, Chatham McTindal, Heather Hackney, and Courtney Smith represent ZTA, one of many organizations present.

BSU members are ready to cart people off to "jail" as part of their annual fund raising activity at Pembroke Day.





Sasha Revels gets a butterfly painted on her face, a favorite activity among participants at Pembroke Day.

Dancers and others entertain the crowd at Pembroke Day.



Drummers and singers perform at the start of Pembroke Day to celebrate our Native American heritage.

Kristina Sanchez and Courtney Villanueva are sketched by the caricature artist, another favorite activity at Pembroke Day.

Miss Mollie Jacobs, Senior Ms. Lumbee 2009, is one of the community members to sing to the crowd at Pembroke Day.



Brothers of KAP—Brandon Moses, Wayne Brown, David Murray, Dante Durant, Cortez Brown, and AJ Kinsley—represent their fraternity during Pembroke Day.



Everyone's Spirits Are

Inflated

during Annual Celebration

Spectators at Pembroke Day strolled along the sidewalks between Old Main and the Mary Livermore Library and visited different campus and community booths, enjoying the sunny weather. Everyone loves free gifts, and most businesses and organizations obliged by setting out promotional items such as hats, pens, or bags. Local businesses set up booths to showcase their products and sell small items such as handmade jewelry and handbags. Several Greek organizations showcased their Greek letters and colors while they passed out information on their fraternity or sorority. The BSU booth is always a popular spectacle, as they hold designated people in "jail" until someone pays their "bail"; the money goes to the many good causes supported by the Baptist Student Union.

Pembroke Day included more than just festivities, food, and face painting. In addition to booths sponsored by campus groups and local vendors, there was also a Health Fair, with 49 health agencies in attendance. Many of these booths distributed information about healthy living and disease prevention, and some also provided services such as blood pressure screening. Inside Old Main, seasonal

flu shots were provided for those in attendance, courtesy of Kerr Drug and KDI Health Solutions.

The crowds grew smaller as 2:00 approached, signalling the end of a very successful Pembroke Day and leaving participants looking forward to next year.

Food is always part of the festivities at Pembroke Day, and this student takes time out to grab some lunch.



Istavia Hill meets the mascot from Pizza Inn, one of the local businesses that participated.

Children from one of the local elementary schools get in on the fun at Pembroke Day.

The Spirit of the Carolinas
marches through campus before
the Homecoming game.



Hundreds of fans watch closely
as the UNCP football team
plays Webber International.

Running back Adrian Williams
receives the football from quar-
terback Matt Evans.



UNCP's Homecoming King and Queen, Cédric Harrison and Bianca Eddleman, strike a pose for the camera.

St. Anthony Lloyd is escorted to the field by his family before the Homecoming game.



Homecoming Game Culminates a

Perfect

Home Season for the Braves and Fans

Homecoming 2009 drew a record crowd of 4,843 to Grace P. Johnson Stadium to watch the Braves defeat Webber International 30-3. The stands around Lumbee Guaranty Field seemed sparsely populated as kick-off neared. Then, tailgaters flooded in to pack the house. UNCP rolled up 499 yards of total offense and held visiting Webber International virtually motionless in the second half to extend its home winning streak to 10 games.

The win capped a perfect home season—the second straight at Johnson Stadium. Jamal Williams booked 138 yards of total offense, hauling in seven catches for 65 yards, rushing three times for 27 more and throwing a 26-yard touchdown pass to Janelle Banks in the third quarter. Cory Smith completed 22 of 30 passes for 212 yards and a touchdown, while Rashon Kennedy ran for 72 yards. “We came out defensively and allowed them on the field way too long in the first half,” said head coach Pete Shinnick. “I really challenged them at halftime, and (Webber International) only got 53 yards in the second half. “That was really my expectation,” he continued. “I thought that, if our guys played with a lot of excitement and enthusiasm, they could get that done.”

Homecoming events this year included a new tradition on campus, Hail to UNCP, where students gathered at the Tommy Hawk statue, as well as a block party, talent show, prep rally, and the semi formal dance. Also performing during Homecoming was Ewa Laurence aka The Striking Viking, and the Stylistics performed at GPAC.

Students play card games during the Block Party, held on the UC lawn.

Courtney Oxendine and Sofia Holland dance at the 2009 Homecoming Semi-formal.



Students dance the night away at the Homecoming Semi-formal in the UC Annex.

Members of Kappa Alpha Psi showcase their skills during the annual Homecoming step show.



Students Laugh, Play,

Dance

at Homecoming Events

Homecoming week kicked off with a Spades Tournament on September 28. Winners of the tournament received cash on their BravesOne card, bringing rights and a spot on the University's Wall of Champions. Students gathered on the UC lawn for food, contests, and prizes at the Block Party, sponsored by A.C.E. Students participated in several events held in the Hawk's Nest Game Room and sang their hearts out in Pembroke's Got Talent.

Ewa Laurance visited campus during Homecoming to share some of her billiard skills with students. She is considered the Queen of Billiards and is the current World Cup Trick Shot Champion and the current International Trick Shot Champion. Laurance is also an ESPN commentator and host of GSN's show *Ballbreakers*.

Members of the Classes of 1957, 1958, 1960, and 1961 celebrated the Golden Anniversary of the Class of 1959. Students, alumni, and guests get to reunite and enjoy each other in their finest at a night filled with food, dancing, and fun at the Black and Gold Semi-formal Dance. Homecoming week closed with the "Night of 1000 Laughs," acts by four comedians Joy Gohring, Michael Pirosek, Ryan Conner, and Azeem.



Comedian Joy Gohring entertains a group of students as part of the entertainment offered during Homecoming week.

Student, Faculty, Alumni Have Fun

Tailgating

Before Football Games on Campus

Tailgating was still a new tradition at UNCP but one that the students, alumni, and community loved. Parking lots 24 and 14 were cleared early in the morning before each home football game to make room for the tailgaters to set up tents and grills or whatever they needed to relax and celebrate before the game. This football season, tailgaters had to follow new policies put into effect governing the use of alcohol, drilling, and the assignment of designated areas for activities.

Tailgating gave students, faculty, alumni, and community members a chance to gather and celebrate the Brave's football season. People connected and reconnected with one another over games, food, and drinks. One of the most popular games to play during tailgating was Cornhole, a beanbag toss game. Inflatables, including a large slide, a moon bounce, and basketball hoops, were set up for everyone to enjoy, and kids especially liked playing on these. Tailgaters could also dance to music provided by a DJ. Many Greek organizations came out to support the Braves and meet new people or just to hang out. Tailgating served as a great opportunity for people to advertise on-going campus events and just have a good time.



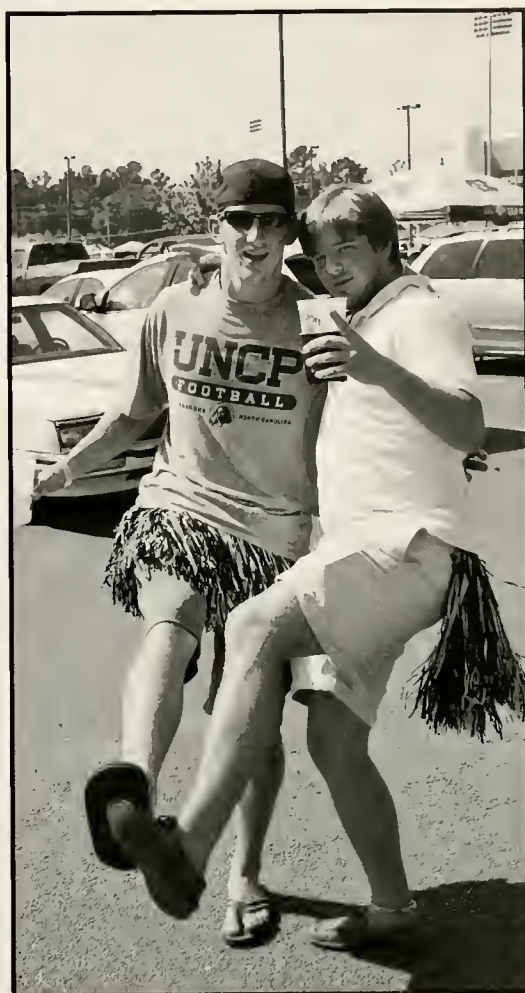
A group of students dances to music in the parking lot during tailgating activities before the Homecoming football game.





Dana Essick and friends have fun playing games, such as Cornhole.

These two guys fool around and show their UNCP pride while tailgating.

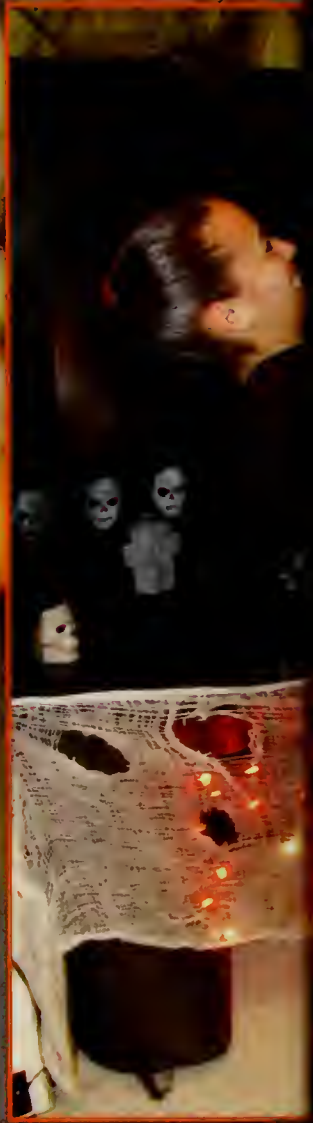


Many tailgaters bring grills and make food to share with friends, family, and neighboring tailgaters.

Alumna and ZTA sister Jessica Polemann was proposed to in front of all her sisters at tailgating before the Homecoming game.

Kimberly Nguyen captures everyone's attention with her Lady Gaga impersonation.

Elatif Darwin is "arrested" by Erica Murray, who dressed as a police officer.



Bookstore staff members dress as hippies for the day.

The bookstore is Where the Wild Things Are on October 28, as students dress as characters from the popular children's book.





Why? Overdine surprises Ashton Hunt, who defends herself against her "alooker."

Lots of people are hooked on Farmville, but this guy may be taking it too far.



Halloween Festivities Bring

Spooky

Students to Campus

As tradition holds, the Bookstore held its annual Halloween costume contest on October 29. There you could have found Lady Gaga, hippies, and frisky cops among the students and faculty who came to show their Halloween spirit and compete for a chance at winning the contest. The bookstore was decorated fully, from the skeletons hanging from the ceilings to the spooky masks that filled the scene. This year Kimberly Nguyen, dressed as Lady Gaga, won the costume contest and will carry the title until next year's contest.

Along with other festive events going on, the Hawk's Nest game room in the UC was the site of a Halloween party featuring food, entertainment, and free pool, bowling, and ping pong. In the UC Lounge, students could participate in a pumpkin carving contest to get into the Halloween spirit.

Leroy Hayes shows up at the bookstore costume contest dressed as a pirate.

Students show their creative side while making their own dreamcatchers at the Native American dreamcatcher workshop.



A student performs a dance from her Asian culture during the Moon Festival in Fall 2009



Asian music is one of the features of the entertainment at the Moon Festival.

This student practices his calligraphy during an activity at the Moon Festival.



Everyone's Coming

Together

To Celebrate Diversity

The diverse student population came together to celebrate many different cultures and traditions during the 2009-2010 academic year. More than 200 students attended the third annual Moon Festival celebration in the UC Annex. The diverse blend of UNCP's students celebrated with music, dance, song, traditional moon cakes, and some moon pies. Another cultural event that our student population took part in was the dreamcatcher workshop. Students blended their creative ideas with traditional techniques of the Native American art and made their very own dreamcatchers.

Harmony Walk brought together all students on campus to foster harmony among different societies and cultural backgrounds. It was an important event that showed how well the multicultural and diverse population of UNCP works together to make the campus a wonderful place to learn about others.

The India Night Forum brought yet another unique cultural experience to our campus. Dr. Sally Valahba spoke passionately about her beloved customs.

Piscalle Locklear enjoys making her dreamcatcher, maybe even a little too much.



Galissia Graves and Marshica Watson represent Sigma Gamma Rho during 2009 Harmony Walk with a banner supporting diversity.

Dr. Sally Valahba speaks about her culture at the India Night forum.



These dancers embrace their Native American heritage as they dance in the UC Annex.



Children from the community enjoy celebrating their Native American culture during the Fall pow wow.





Head Lady Dancer Heather Jones and Head Man Dancer Patrick Green lead the crowd in a Native American dance.

Sounds from the drummers echo in the UC Annex during the annual NASO Fall pow wow.



Students Celebrate Native

Heritage

and Lasting Traditions

The Native American Student Organization (NASO) held its annual Fall Pow Wow in the UC Annex on October 29. The Annex came alive with the sights and sounds of Native American drumming, singing, and dancing. In addition to performances, the pow wow featured Native American arts and crafts, food, fellowship, and fun. At pow wows, both Native Americans and non-Native Americans gather to celebrate, renew old friendships, and make new ones.

Grand Entry kicked off with a parade of dancers, led by Head Man Dancer Patrick Green and Head Lady Dancer Heather Jones. Southern Sun acted as the Host Drum for the event, providing the dancers with beats. Students, kids, audience members, and people from the community joined in on the dancing and festivities in celebration of Native American culture. The University opened originally as an American Indian college and over the years has grown into a great place for higher education for students of all cultures. UNCP is one of only two American Indian colleges and universities east of the Mississippi River. UNCP is proud of its Native American background and displays its appreciation to the community by keeping the roots of traditions alive. One way the University does this is through events such as the annual Pow Wow.

The NASO Pow Wow was part of UNCP's celebration of Native American Heritage Month. Activities at UNCP during October - November 2009 included a lecture by Dr. Rose Stremmlau entitled "Cherokee Families and Cultural Persistence," Dr. Jane Haladay's presentation on "Violence against Native American Women," and the screening of the movie *When Your Hands Are Tied*, a documentary about Native youth. In addition, the Office of Multicultural and Minority Affairs hosted a drop-in event, "Honoring Native Food Ways," to give thanks for the many foods provided by Native American peoples, learn more about Native food ways, and sample traditional and contemporary Native foods.

University Players Move their

Audience

with the Story of Matthew Shepard

Audience members sat on bleachers on four sides of a circular performing space on the stage of the Givens Performing Arts Center for the University Players' fall 2009 production of *The Laramie Project* on October 27-31. The play, by Moises Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project, explores the effects of a brutal, homophobic crime on the citizens of Laramie, Wyoming. Cast members all played multiple roles in the production, beginning with the arrival of members of the project to conduct interviews. Local police, clergymen, friends of the victim, and other Laramie residents spoke about their reactions to the crime and the ongoing effects on them and on the entire community.

Although the set was minimal, the action covered a wide range of locations. Some scenes took the audience to the karaoke bar Matthew Shepard had visited the night of the crime. Others took place outside the hospital where he lay dying. Later in the play, the stage became the courtroom where Matthew's murderers were tried. Video monitors suspended above the center of the stage introduced the scenes and also provided pictures of Matthew and of the town of Laramie.

Amy Cox is one of the journalists covering the vigil outside the hospital where Matthew eventually died.



Sean Jacmick and Elizabeth Workman portray project members conducting interviews.

Charlotte Cassidy is the mother of the police officer who found Matthew.





Allison Betor, a friend of Matthew's, speaks to Topher McLean, the bartender who saw Matthew meet his killers.



Emily Rasdorf is a former girlfriend of one of Matthew's murderers.

Daniel Lee portrays a Laramie cabdriver who knew Matthew.



Nick Canada portrays a Laramie resident who has been affected by the crime.

Dexter Anderson is the Laramie Police Chief who saw Matthew's killers.

These students perform the ancient exercise art of Tai Chi, often practiced for health reasons.



This student breaks a board with his feet during a Tae Kwon Do demonstration at Asia Day.



Carolina Choi accompanies Sam Jeon while he sings.



Students Celebrate Asian

Culture

Through Song and Dance

Asia Day 2009, held on November 18 from 12:00 until 2:00 P.M. in the UC Annex, was a day of food, fun, and fellowship among UNCP's traditional and international students. The Office of International Affairs has sponsored this annual event for five years. All who attended had the opportunity to immerse themselves in Asian culture including food, dancing, singing, arts, and entertainment provided by Asian international students.

The Asian countries represented at Asia Day included China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, and the Philippines. Different art displays and survey games were set up to test students' knowledge of Asian cultures. In addition to art and games, Asian music was showcased and performed by Chinese students and visiting Chinese scholars.

Among the various attractions, booths offered food from different Asian cultures; local Chinese and Japanese restaurants in Pembroke, as well as Asian students participating in the festivities, prepared the food for everyone to try. Students, faculty, and staff lined up to fill their plates with food samples from the many Asian cultures represented. The food was one of the main attractions at Asia Day; in fact, the line was so long that some people had to leave before getting the chance to sample any of the delicious food provided. While students enjoyed the food, they were also entertained by Asian performances.

Other activities and performances included a fashion show, a Tae Kwon Do routine, and a Tai Chi exercise. A number of UNCP students, many of them Asian, participated. Several Asian ladies with the international program displayed the latest trends in Asian fashion as well as traditional clothing, while participating men wowed audiences with board-breaking routines as well as traditional Tae Kwon Do punches and kicks. Both men and women presented Tai Chi, a traditional Chinese martial art often practiced for health reasons.

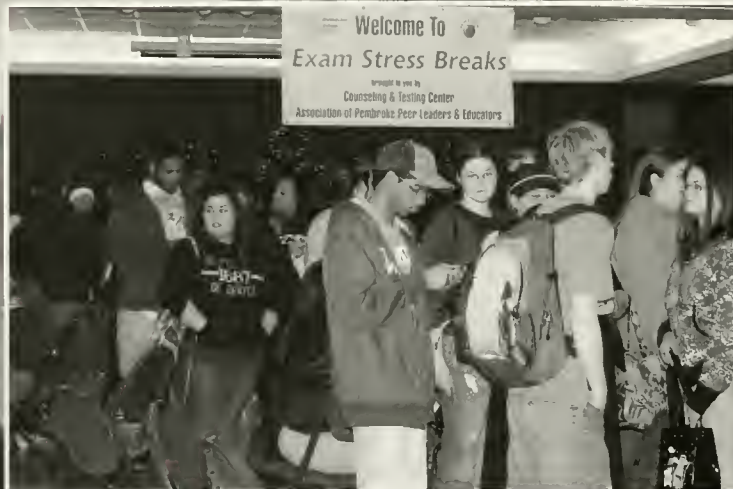


Asian ladies display traditional dress at the fashion show during Asia Day 2009.

These students beat on empty water jugs as part of a contemporary musical performance.

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breakfast in the



Students are ecstatic to sell their
books back to the bookstore.

This is a great
opportunity
for an event.





Exam Week Brings Students

Closer

To Each Other—and Christmas

During the last few weeks of the semester students kicked into overdrive so they could finish assignments, write term papers, and study for their final exams. Things become especially crazy during the end of the fall semester when everyone was getting ready to go home for the holidays. It was hard for most students to focus when they were so close to being home with their family and friends having fun.

The atmosphere on campus was slightly more tense and stressed than at any other time of the semester. The campus hosted activities throughout the week to help students relax and get their minds off of studying. During exam week, students also looked forward to selling their textbooks back to the Bookstore as it symbolized a completed semester and one step closer to graduation.

The holidays are a time when everyone on campus expresses their appreciation and love for one another. The University hosted its annual Holiday Social in the UC Annex. This event provided a great opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to bond over non-academic conversations.

The season inspired people to give to others and spread cheer.

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The season inspired people to give to others and spread cheer.



Miss UNCP 2009 Katy Locklear takes a moment to tell Santa what she wants for Christmas.

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This proud dad shares his new master's degree with daughter.

Markie Row celebrates her graduation with sorority sister Nikki Weaver.



Diplomas Are the Best Christmas

Gifts

For December 2009 Graduates

The 2009 Winter Commencement was held on Saturday, December 12, 2009, at 10 AM in the main gym of the English E. Jones Athletic Center, which was packed with family and friends of the 537 students who earned their bachelor's and master's degrees. Keynote speaker was Dr. James H. Moore, Jr., President of the Department of English at The University of North Carolina at Charlotte. The 2009 UNC Board of Governors President, Thomas H. McElreath, also spoke. Other speakers included SGA President, John Williams, Jr., and the 2009 Board of Trustees Chairman, Linda H. Brown, and Dr. Jeffrey Hood, President of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. General A. M. "Bud" Brown, Jr., also spoke.

During the ceremony, many students and graduates from the Delta Sigma Theta sorority were in attendance, performing in a musical.





This graduate (center) wears honors cords representing her academic accomplishments.

Dr. Jenkins shares a laugh with this LSOP member after she has received her degree.

Kaylee Nguyen celebrates with her family following December commencement.

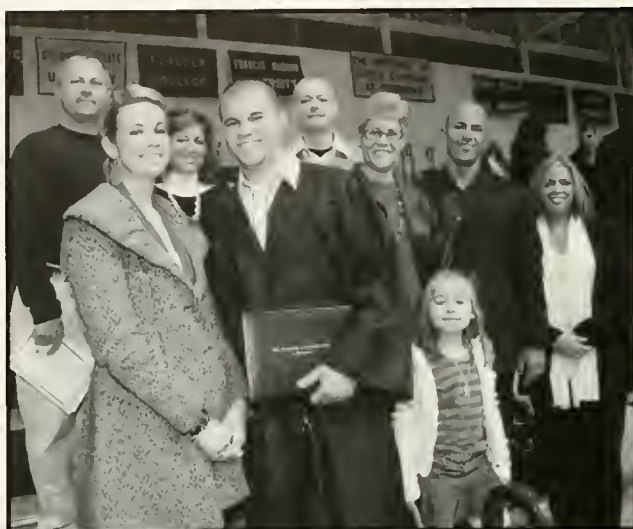
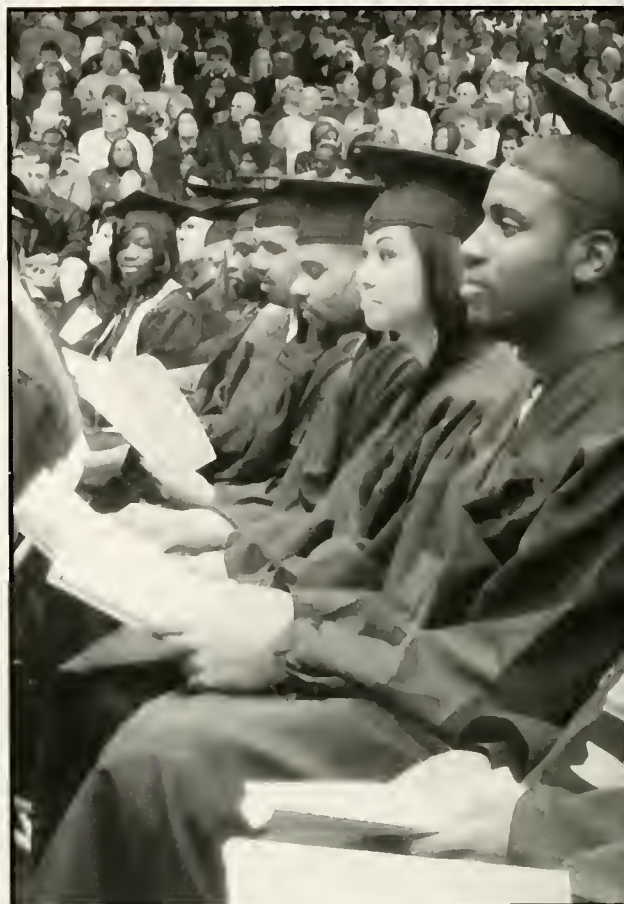


Dr. Susan Canata leads the speakers into the gym with help from Marshal Tiffany Schmidt.

This student is happy to accept his diploma from Chancellor Jenkins.

Ellen Inman Church, Editor-in-Chief of the 1990 and 1991 Indianhead yearbooks, looks at the diploma just received by another new master of arts. A Journalism graduate, Ellen returned to UNCP to complete her MA in English.

The graduate below celebrates with his entire family in the gym after graduation.



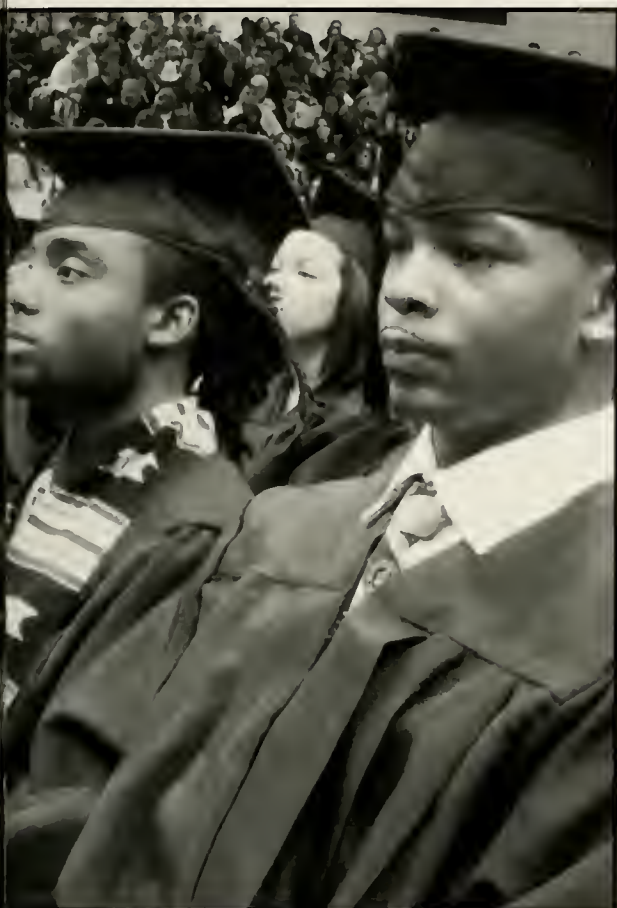
Fridah Muriithi is all smiles while she pauses to show off her new diploma as she crosses the stage.



Education graduate Kristin Huggins gets a big hug from her little girl after receiving her degree.

Rebecca Capps is thrilled to be receiving her degree from Chancellor Jenkins.





Jamal Whitted and the other graduates on the left contemplate their futures as they listen to Dr. Susan Cannata's speech.

Arjay Quizon delivers greetings and congratulations to the graduates on behalf of SGA.

Lambda Theta Phi graduates Randall Williams and Brayam Pinilla celebrate with their brothers after the ceremony.



Even an injury cannot keep this graduate from attending the commencement and walking with her fellow graduates to get that hard-earned diploma.

Graduates Are Encouraged to Share Their

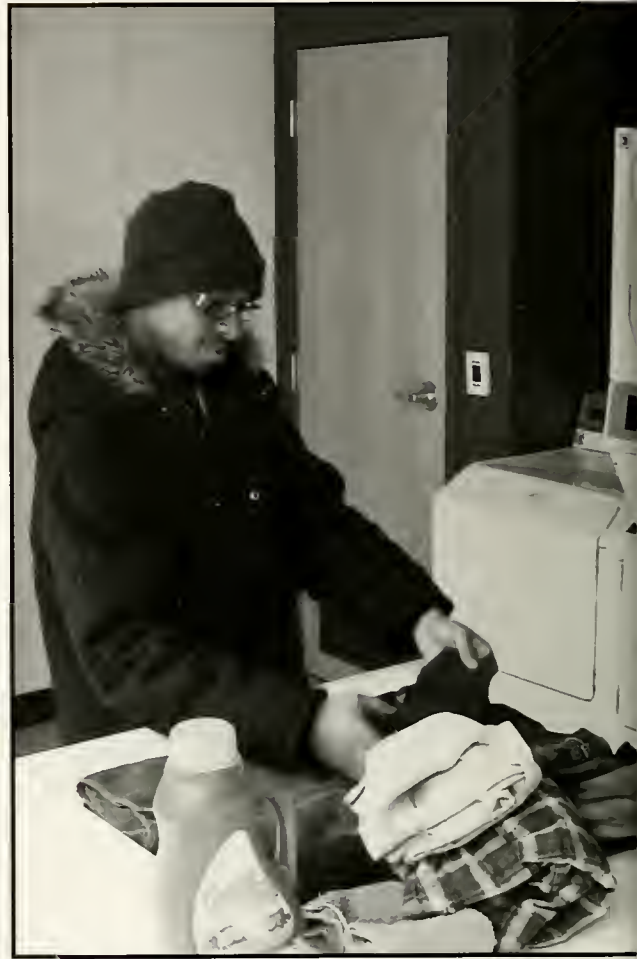
Stories

and Listen to Those Told by Others

"How can you transform the world?" asked Dr. Susan Cannata during her keynote address. "I recommend listening to stories and telling some of your own." Dr. Cannata said stories are the glue that binds families and societies together. She said there is an innate desire to hear stories and to tell them. "If you don't think you have anything interesting to say, you are sorely mistaken," she concluded. "Think of today as the first page in your next story and make it a good one." Chancellor Jenkins returned to this theme after the degrees were conferred, reminding the audience that graduates represented 537 "great stories to tell." "I know many of them, and they are fantastic stories," Chancellor Jenkins said. "Many have overcome the greatest barriers to be here today."

UNCP's graduates were as diverse as their stories, and they followed different paths and overcame many obstacles. Beverly Hill, for example, who earned a nursing degree, offered a unique perspective as a mother of two, including a college graduate and a college student. "It's taken me 25 years to get here," Hill said. "Working full time was hard, but I want more options in my career. "Parents must be supportive because this is a different generation; they think differently," she said.

Kayla Davis and Laura Haley of Sigma Sigma Sigma chill in their apartment after a long day of classes.



Students Study,

Laugh,

and Live on Campus

Students who lived on or near campus enjoyed several advantages, including being closer to buildings on campus, always being in the know, and not having to deal with commuter parking. Over the past few years residence life has expanded with the addition of several renovations to the apartment complexes.

Although UNCP was primarily a place to study, the residence halls provided a place for students to talk and relax with their friends. UNCP housed students in six residence halls: North, Belk, Wellons, West, Pine, and Oak Halls. Many students who lived in residence halls had access to washers and dryers, and the co-ed residence halls, Oak and Pine, had computer labs.

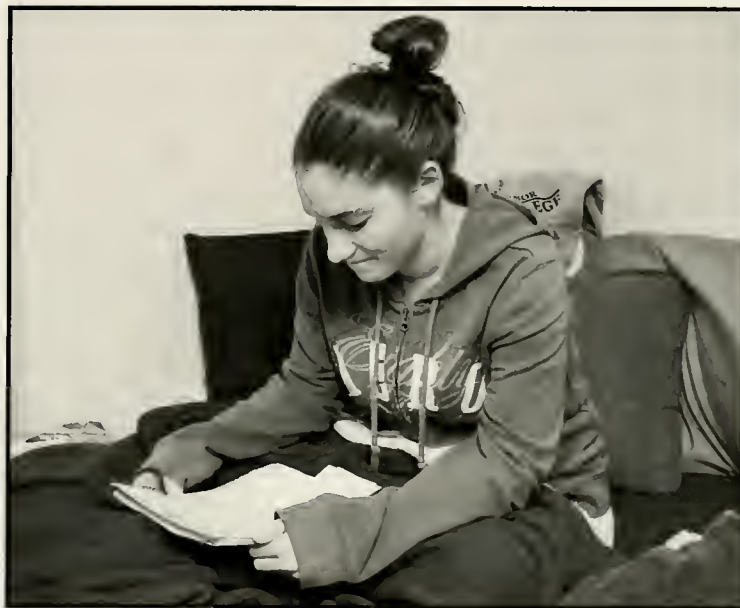
While the residence halls were more strict, students who lived in apartments on and off campus were provided with many home comforts, including kitchens, personal bathrooms, and large common areas. Village Apartments was the only on-campus apartment housing, while four complexes are in walking distance of the University. Many students liked living in apartments because they get more privacy, more freedom, and more room.





Justin Akonful and Andrew Young do their laundry on the weekends. Once a semester the Office of Housing and Residence Life sponsors a Free Laundry Weekend, where resident students can do their laundry free of charge.

Meghan Brady studies hard for a test in her dorm room in Oak Hall.



Nick Faulkner works on his homework while visiting some of his friends at a residence hall on campus.

Travis Jones (far left) plays some video games in his room at Wellons Hall, while two girls (left) participate in an activity involving pipe cleaners in North Hall.

Kelsey Cummings, a Tri Sigma, plays a Chopin piece on the piano as her talent.

Jenna Walters lights up the audience with a rendition of "Prave" during the talent competition.



Arlene Gray (left) introduces herself to the audience during the opening number. Ash-ton (right) above) dogs to "Hound Dog."

Miss UNCP 2009, Kara Lockhart, crowns Jenna Walters, a senior Public Relations Major, Miss UNCP 2010.



Chelsea Collier, a sophomore, greets the audience as she plays the violin.

Mary Ann McGirt smiles as this man serenades her during an entertainment number.

Six Women Compete in

Pageant

for Miss UNCP Title

Senior class Communication major Jenna Walters crowned Miss UNCP 2010 in front of an enthusiastic audience of 1,000 in the Given Performance Arts Center on February 4. Walters bested five contestants to win the title, which brings nearly \$5,000 in scholarships and prizes. The 5th annual pageant sported the theme, "I Am What I Am," and was a night of star-studded entertainment. Incoming Miss North Carolina Katherine Southern and Miss North Carolina 2010 Lorna Llaneta served as Mistresses of Ceremonies and performed. Miss UNCP 2009, Katy Helen Locklear, also performed the pageant theme song and delivered the traditional farewell address. Walters set the bar high during the talent portion of the contest when she lit up the audience with a rendition of "Boave."

The pageant's platform is HEARTStrings: Helping Educate and Reach through Song. "I help children express themselves through music," she said during the on-stage interview. "I start with their feelings and send them to express it with music and song."

First Runner-up was Arlene Grady of Spring Hope; Second Runner-up was Ashton Young of Garner; and Third Runner-up was Kelsey Cummings of Hembroke. Grady also won the Miss Community Award and Walters won the Jessica Reed Family Community Service Scholarship. Ashton Young won the new Scholastic Achievement Award for the contestant with the highest grade point average. The talent competition showed off the diverse talents of the six contestants. Cummings played a piano rendition of a Chopin piece and Chelsea Collier of Fayetteville played the violin. Mary Ann McGirt of Laurinburg and Young clogged. In the audience were approximately two dozen other queens and princesses who participated in the pageant. Also attending was Alan Clouse, executive director of the Miss North Carolina Pageant. Clouse said the Miss UNCP Pageant is one of the best attended and most enthusiastic events he has seen.

Katy Locklear, Miss UNCP 2009, sings "other pageant queens during her farewell walk."

Christina Crovetti and friends pose proudly in front of their 6-foot tall snow man, while Alexa Mooney, Tim Lefar, and Jenna McGary have fun in a snowball fight by the center feature.





Hannah Keegan, Megan Bradley, and Ashley Kresowski (far left) sell Valentine's goodies in the UC. Author Katherine Charon (left) discusses her book *Freedom Teachers: The Life of Septima Clark* during a Black History Month event in the Mary Livermore Library.

Students all over campus are happy to get a soft and cuddly Valentine's Day gift.



Celebrating Black History,

Snow

and Valentine's Day

Various campus organizations held events celebrating Black History Month, including speakers and poetry readings. One of the speakers was Katherine Charon, who discussed her book *Freedom Teachers: The Life of Septima Clark* during an event in the Mary Livermore Library.

Students at UNCP have come to look forward to Valentine's Day week on campus. This academic year they gathered in the University Center to participate in the annual Valentine's Day Stuff-a-Plush. Students also received accessories including a T-shirt and a voice box for their plush animal. As part of their community service, members of the Honors College visited Washington Park Elementary School and helped Pre-K students making Valentine's Day bags.

Students at UNCP enjoyed a light dusting of snow on Friday night, February 12, during Valentine's Day weekend. Freezing temperatures didn't stop students from bundling up and playing in the night's snowfall. Students had snowball fights, built snowmen, made snow angels, and admired the blanket of white covering campus. Some even found items to go sledding on small mounds around campus.

Joseph Otellio stuffs his plush Dalmatian in the UC during popular annual Valentine's Day activity.

Victoria Dancy helps a pre-K student decorate a Valentine's Day bag at Washington Park Elementary.

James Clark narrates "The Real Rapunzel" as the Pembroke Singers act it out on stage.



Faculty and Students Present the "Real"

Rapunzel

at the Medieval Feast

The tenth annual Medieval Feast put on by the Music Department's Pembroke Singers was held on February 12 and 13 in the UC Annex at 6:30 P.M. The Pembroke Singers entertained the audience with "The Real Rapunzel," the true story behind the classic fairy tale. The menu for the night included guinea hen, potatoes, cabbage and carrots, salad, apple cobbler, rolls, and tea. Members of the Pembroke Singers served food and greeted each person at every table. While the audience ate their meal, the Pembroke Singers displayed an array of musical and acting talent as they acted out and sang the story.

"I really loved playing the Jester," Nicci Chirico said. "It was a lot of fun." Associate Professor and Music Education Coordinator Dr. Gary Wright directed the production. "I'm amazed at what we can do in nine or ten rehearsals in less than a month," Dr. Wright said. While the Pembroke Singers provided the talent, the Early Musick Consort and UNCP Brass Quintet provided the music. Dr. Valerie Austin directed the Consort, and Dr. Timothy Altman directed the Quintet. The night brought together classical elements of medieval times with the food and Renaissance music and a cast of characters that portrayed the social hierarchies of the medieval era.

Leigh Montague and Nicci Chirico dance merrily around the stage as the audience finishes dinner.





Nicci Chirico and Stephen Love discuss what the audience members will be eating at the feast.

Local high school students and an in-coming freshman support friends and family who acted in the performance.



UNCP Brass Quintet members, directed by Dr. Timothy Altman, trumpet, provide part of the music for the production.

Katie Frabott hangs her long hair out of the castle window during a scene in the play as the prince attempts to rescue her.

Early in the play, Truvy (Jatessa Malloy) curls Shelby's (Nikki Frabott) hair for her upcoming wedding while Annelle (Lucy Marshman) looks on.



Annelle (Lucy Marshman) talks with M'Lynn (Ashley McLamb) while she sets her hair for her daughter Shelby's wedding.

The ladies from Chinquapin gather in Truvy's salon at Christmas, several months after the wedding. M'Lynn sits apart from the others, unhappy about Shelby's pregnancy, which could be life-threatening and about which the other ladies have not yet been informed.





The end of the play is an emotional release—and some comic relief—for Clairee (Allyson Betot), Ouiser (Charlotte Cassidy), and M'Lynn (Ashley McLamb) as Annelle (Lucy Marshman) watches from the couch.

Shelby (Nikki Frabott) has just had her hair cut short, and Clairee (Allyson Betot) asks how she's been doing, unaware that she is about to start dialysis.



University Players Portray the

Strength

and Grace of Southern Women

Under the direction of Chet Jordan, the University Players presented Robert Harling's *Steel Magnolias* Feb. 22 through the 27 at the GPAC. Six actresses took the stage for the performance, Yanissa Perez de Leon served as the D.J. Voice, and Amy Cox acted as the stage manager for the production. The story is set in Truvy's (Jalessa Malloy) beauty shop in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies go to have their hair done. Helped by the eager assistant, Annelle (Lucy Marshman), Truvy dispenses free advice to Shelby (Nikki Frabott), who is about to get married. Other customers include the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser (Charlotte Cassidy), an eccentric millionaire, Clairee (Allyson Betot), and the local health administrator M'Lynn (Ashley McLamb), who is Shelby's mother.

Filled with hilarious dialogue, the play moves toward tragedy when Shelby, a diabetic, risks pregnancy and her life. The sudden realization of their mortality affects the others but also draws on the characters' underlying strength and love. "Harling has given his women sharp, funny dialogue... The play builds to a conclusion that is deeply moving," according to *The New York Times*.

These students cheer for the Braves during a home football game, which thousands of people attended.

Residents, and especially commuters, have difficulty finding parking spots on campus throughout the semester.



Approximately 600 students await their turn to walk on stage during Spring 2009 Commencement.

Hundreds of students, faculty, staff, and community members attend tailgating activities before a home football game during the Braves' 2009 football season.





Even with the growth in enrollment on campus, class sizes continue to stay small.

Alexandria Watson and her friends enjoy a meal in the crowded cafeteria.



University Adjusts Well to

Growth

on Our Campus

During the 2009-2010 academic year, UNCP's campus grew and flourished with the expansion of apartments and higher freshman and transfer enrollments. A record number of students graduated from the University in the Spring and Winter Commencements. This growth in enrollment caused some problems for commuter and residential students trying to find parking on campus. Despite the rapid population increase, students did not have to adjust to larger class sizes or limited resources, as UNCP remained a close and friendly learning environment focused on individual success. Students have adjusted well to the increased size of the student body, and as result campus organizations scheduled more events and Greek life enrollment reached an all-time high. In addition, a record number of people attended the tailgating and football games during the Fall 2009 season. Students, faculty, staff, and community members all came out to support the Braves and celebrate their third year as a team. Part of what makes the University so great is the advantage of witnessing the campus grow. Seniors leaving often reflect on how the campus looked when they first arrived, compared to how it looked as they left. Students can look back at their experience at UNCP and know that they were one of the forces that contributed to the growth.

Step Ahead

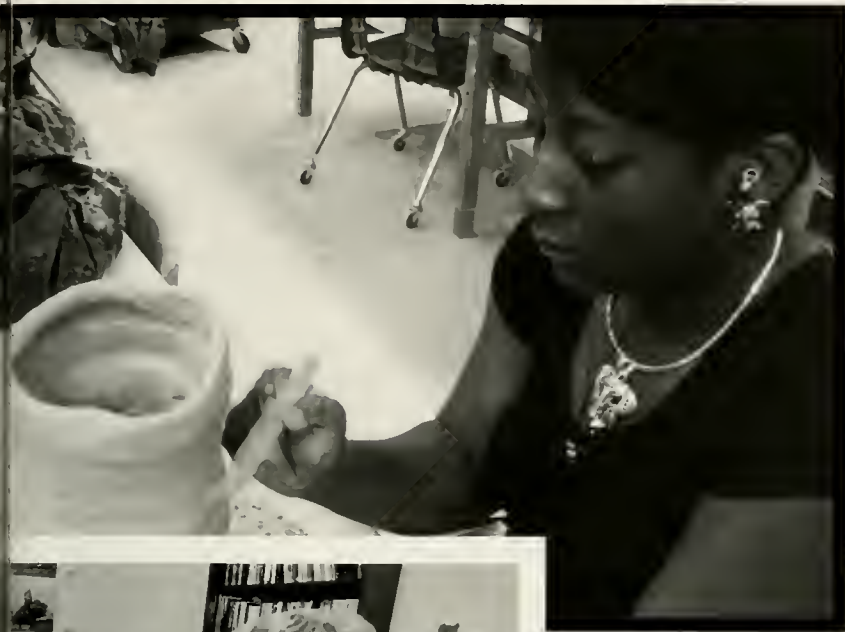
Choosing an academic field is one of the first steps in each student's quest for a higher education. UNCP offered a wide variety of programs to better enhance each student's steps in reaching that goal. The diverse professors at UNCP imparted a wide range of knowledge in their fields, with degrees offered in disciplines ranging from Nursing to Criminal Justice, Geology to English, Theology to Sociology. The professors here did their best to help guide students in the right direction.

During the 2009-2010 academic year, students took steps beyond the campus, too—even across the country. Some traveled abroad to London for a literature class, across the different terrains of North Carolina for Geology, and even further to Costa Rica for Biology.

UNCP offered many different platforms for all students to succeed no matter which steps they wished to take. The steps students took during their academic careers at UNCP would lead them toward a bright and rewarding future.

Natasha Bacon performs an experiment with a Bunsen burner in one of her Chemistry labs. Lab classes provided students with the opportunity for hands-on learning experiences and helped bring academic principles to life. They also helped students better understand concepts learned during lectures.





Rashonda Anderson molds clay into a vase in a pottery class. UNCP students have many opportunities to develop their creativity in programs focussing on the fine and performing arts. In addition to classes in these areas, students can participate in the University Theatre, the Marching Band, and other music ensembles.

Wesley Inderbitzen works with DeAhna Crocker in the University Writing Center, one of many places where UNCP students can go for additional resources and one-on-one support for their academic projects. These student support services are what give academics at UNCP the personal touch.

Academics

Selma Nijs observes Janaya Wesley and Jordan Edge during a Book Exchange competition for an Entrepreneurship class.



Alex Musslewhite and Joe Brum agree with a handshake on a business transaction that will satisfy both parties.



Students proudly take the mike at a free-style session during the Entrepreneurship Book Exchange.



Business Finesse



Taking business classes was important for students pursuing a degree in any business related major. This year BB&T Corporation of Winston-Salem, NC, pledged \$1 million over 10 years to establish a second endowed professorship for the UNCP School of Business. The BB&T Distinguished Endowed Professorship in the Morality of Capitalism was announced in late January 2010. A separate gift of \$50,000 will support programs on ethics in business. The School of Business held forums in 2009 on business ethics and the philosophical foundations of capitalism. A new course on the "Ethics in Capitalism" was launched in January 2010.

Accounting, International Business, and Marketing were some of the majors offered in the School of Business. Some students were business majors just for the money, and others because they loved the field. Victoria Huff, a junior Business major, said, "Classes are interesting, and the professors work well with you." This year, the School of Business began to offer a minor in Entrepreneurship; this allowed non-Business majors to pick up a minor that could allow them to increase their skills in the business area. Dr. Cammie Hunt and Dr. John Spillan were the faculty members in charge of the Entrepreneurship program.

On the graduate level, the MBA Program, which has been success from the start, had many different advantages—small class size, off-campus classes, a graduate program regardless of degree held—along with numerous other aspects that made students like Keith Townsend comment, "I am well taken care of in this department and I love it." The business department at UNCP is very prestigious, a reason why most business majors picked this school.



Shahnee Haire makes a point about business concepts during her presentation.

Powerpoint presentations are one of many ways students learn important business skills.

Striving to Educate

The School of Education received a reward for students and teachers alike during the 2009-2010 academic year: a federal grant totaling nearly \$300,000 that went to help the University lift reading and writing skills among students attending schools in Hoke County. "UNCP's School of Education is committed to provide the very best preparation programs for teachers, administrators, counselors, and other education professionals in partnership with public schools and other agencies," said Dr. Leah Fiorentino, Dean of the School of Education. "Our faculty, administrators, and staff are committed to producing high quality graduates, equipping these graduates with the necessary knowledge and skills for the current and future marketplace, the generation and application of educational research, and extensive collaboration with our partners," Dr. Fiorentino said.

The School of Education offered a range of undergraduate programs in birth-kindergarten, elementary, middle grades, secondary, and special education as well as graduate level programs in education, counseling, and administration. Dr. Jerry Jones, a veteran educator from West Virginia, joined the faculty of the graduate School Leadership program this fall as the first Joseph B. Oxendine Distinguished Professor of Education. The endowed chair was created in late 2007 by a gift from the C.D. Spangler Foundation.

Within the School of Education, the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation offered degree programs in physical education and athletic training as well as a wide variety of physical education classes for students in all majors.



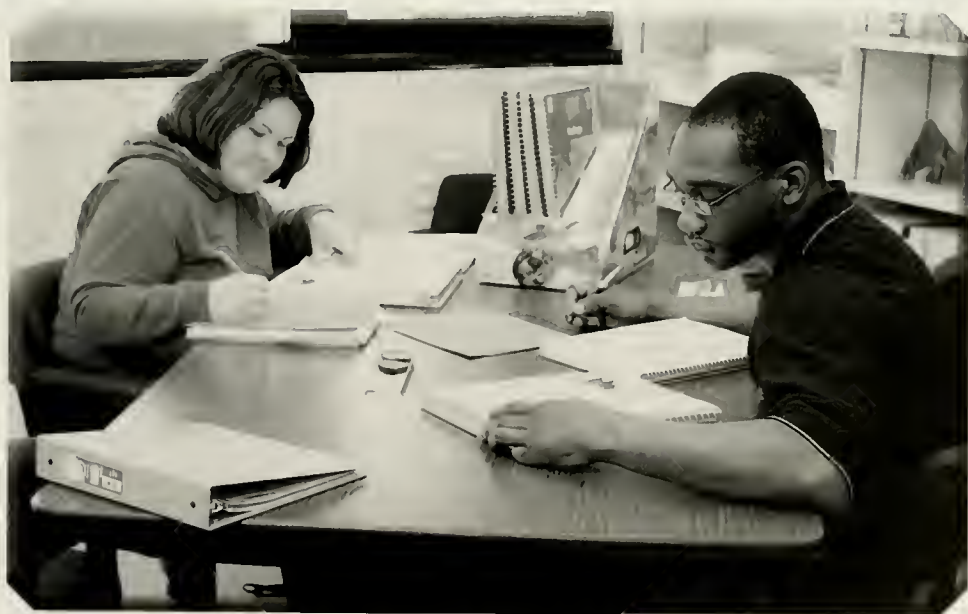
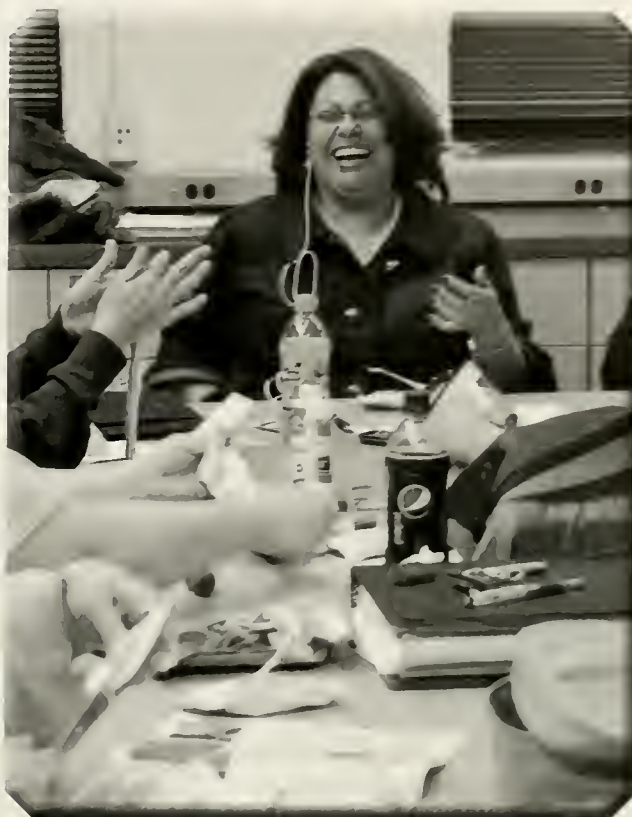
Jonathan Williams spots his brother Christopher Williams for safety while lifting during a weight training class.





Education professor Rebecca Berdeau helps her students utilize some of the many resources our library has available for students, faculty, and staff.

Art education proves to be just as much fun for UNCP students as it is for grade school students—or at least this future educator thinks so.



Allison Soles receives a lesson in proper weight training technique from instructor Michael Parnell.

Raymond Pearce and a fellow student know the importance of working together to study for an exam.

***M**att Greenslade, Yanissa Perez de Leon, and Hannah Davisson perform in University Theatre's spring 2009 production of *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*.*



***M**eriel Smith uses her hands to cultivate artistic expression in her advanced ceramics class.*





Students in a music appreciation class listen closely to the beats in a composition to correctly identify the time signature in a given musical segment.

This student prepares her canvas for a painting class with much dedication.



Creative Minds

The Art Department promoted inclusion and appreciation of the values of all people and encouraged art students to engage in the extended art world through professional development, international programs, and the study of global visual culture in an environment of free inquiry. The department's gallery in Locklear Hall featured installations of students' senior projects as well as shows by visiting artists. Next Fall, Dr. Karla Rokes planned to teach a new course designed to help students with grant writing, résumés, and working with galleries to install their work. Junior Art major Andre McDuffie stated, "The Art Department is interesting. Instructors teach you the basics. The department goes with the flow. It's more person to person."

The Music Department offered a range of undergraduate programs, from academic concentrations (Vocal, Keyboard, or Instrumental) to minors (Sacred Music, Jazz Studies or Media Integration) to music major programs (BA in Music or Music with Business Electives, and BM in Music Education or in Musical Theatre).

The Theatre Program provided students with a comprehensive theatre background. Students were able to perform and/or work behind the scenes on University Theatre productions on the main stage of the GPAC—*The Laramie Project* in the fall of 2009 and *Steel Magnolias* in the spring of 2010—as well as on musicals co-produced with the Musical Theatre program: *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* in April 2009 and *Guys and Dolls* in April 2010.

Members of the University Theatre act in their fall production, *The Laramie Project*.

Measure Up

The Biology Department added new faculty members, including Dr. Ben Bahr, the William C. Friday Distinguished Professor of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry. Dr. Bahr taught a new special interest class, Medical Applications of Biotechnology. The department also hired a new secretary, Tanya Locklear, and a new lab assistant, Jaennie Hwang. According to senior Aaron Locklear, "The Biology Department gave me the knowledge, guidance, and confidence I needed to pursue a career in the medical field." He said the staff was "easy to contact and talk to."

The Chemistry and Physics Department received a \$750,000 federal grant, shared with NC A&T University, to enable local farmers to create alternative fuels with their own crops. The UNCP team, led by Dr. Siva Mandjiny, included Dr. Tom Dooling, the department chair, Professors Cornelia Tirla and Rachel Smith, and student Eric Leviner. The program, started in January 2010 and scheduled to run for three years, hoped to produce a prototype of an affordable machine that farmers can use to turn plant oils into cheap biodiesel. "Ideally, they will be able to grow their own fuel," said Dr. Dooling.

The Geology and Geography Department welcomed one new faculty member, Jesse Rouse. Dr. Lee Phillips participated in a grant to enhance the teaching of earth/environmental science in the region; he also continued to teach the summer geology field trip class, which provided interactive ways for students to experience hands-on learning outside of a classroom setting.

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science offered majors in mathematics and computer science; provided service courses for other program areas; and worked with the School of Education to develop licensure programs in the areas of middle grades and secondary mathematics.

In preparation for an experiment, Anna Queen carefully measures a liquid in her chemistry class.



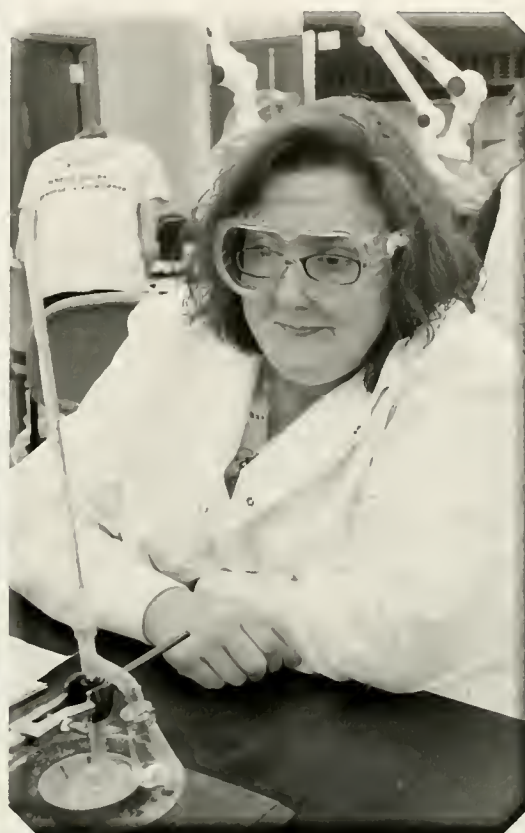
Danielle Powers and other students take notes on sand dune conservation during a summer geology course trip.

Students in Dr. Steven Bourquin's math class diligently take notes as he explains an equation.





This student watches the level of a liquid rise as her experiment unfolds in her chemistry class.

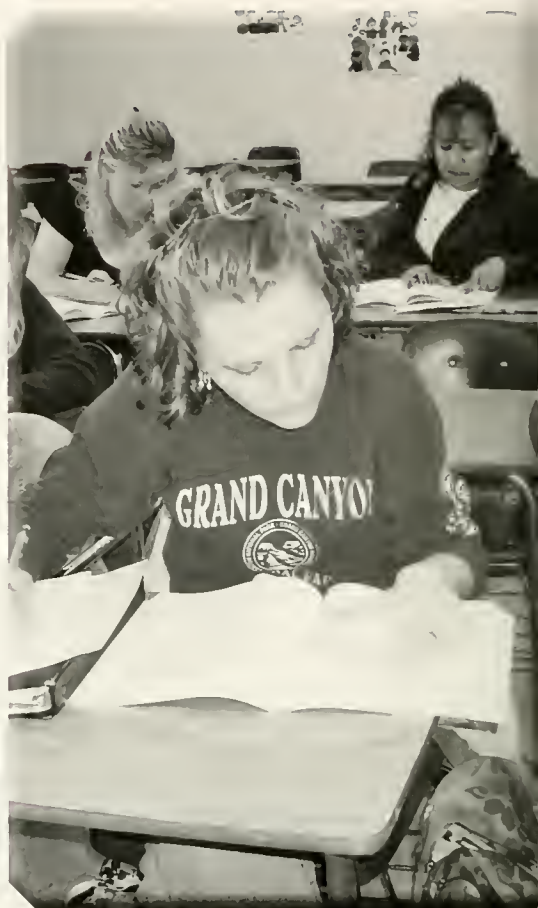


Joseph Groves measures the relative humidity in Dr. Dennis Edgell's weather and climate class using a sling psychrometer.

Students in Dr. Bill Brandon's physics class participate in a group activity explaining physics principles.

Chase Whisenhunt helps Kaya White with her assignment in the Writing Center.

Students practice conjugating verbs in Dr. Peter Imoro's Spanish class.



From Russia, With Love

In September 2009, Russian exchange students Valeriya (Lera) Grigoryeva and Yunona (Yuna) Shcherbina and their instructor, Nadya Kovalenko, visited our campus for a month to experience American collegiate studies. The visitors from Tomsk State Pedagogical University were here as guests of the Department of Foreign Languages and explored many aspects of the educational experience at UNC Pembroke. They sat in on classes in English, Foreign Languages, and other departments; participated in campus and local cultural events; and traveled to Fayetteville and Myrtle Beach with Dr. Liliana Wendorff and to Washington, DC, with staff members from the office of International Programs.

Lera and Yuna liked the diversity of students and classes at UNCP. About their stay as a whole, they said, "America is like a different world when compared to Russia—the ocean, the people. The trip to Washington, DC, was amazing." They wanted to give thanks to Dr. Wendorff for all her help and support during their stay. They also would like for UNCP students to come to Russia and experience their university and their way of life.



Communicate

The English and Theatre Department began the 2009-10 academic year with a new chair, Dr. Mark Canada, and welcomed three new faculty members: Dr. Michele Fazio, Dr. Eun Hee Jeon, and Dr. Dundee Lackey. They also said goodbye to two retiring faculty members, Dr. Nancy Barrineau and Dr. Patricia Valenti. Students in the department traveled to London in May 2009 for Dr. Therese Rizzo's literature class and to the Blackfriars Theatre in Virginia in fall 2009 for Dr. Richard Vela's Shakespeare class.

The Foreign Languages Department welcomed four new professors: Dr. Antonio Valle de Anton, Irma Bachman, Shara Packman, and Pei-Hsuan Yu. Students had more choices for foreign language classes, as Latin and Chinese were offered for the first time in addition to Spanish, French, German, and Russian. According to Dr. Liliana Wendorff, the department chair, "We are a growing department, and we are constantly trying to increase the number of languages offered." Headed by Dr. Enrique Porrúa, a selected number of students went to New Orleans in February 2010 to present at a conference.

The Mass Communication Department added a new faculty member, Dr. Jason Hutchens. Junior Mellisia Clarke stated, "It is a very good program, and the professors are very nice and cooperative." On October 22, 2009, public relations students attended the annual NC public relations and marketing seminar at UNC-Chapel Hill. The broadcasting practicum produced a new TV show, *The Black and Gold Report*, with the Athletics department. This Braves sports talk show aired on WFXB, a Fox TV station in Myrtle Beach and Lumberton.

The University Writing Center offered one-on-one assistance with papers for all subjects. The tutors working in the center were from different academic departments, including one graduate assistant, Chase Whisenhunt. Tutor Wesley Inderbitzen said, "I enjoy tutoring in the Writing Center because it gives me an opportunity to learn about different subjects while helping students."



Chantel Moore, Sable Walker, Paul Harris, and Chrissy Wright read along in their text in their British literature class.

Rachel Young reads over her notes as another broadcasting student offers some friendly advice.

Serving Humanity

This year the Social Work Department, headed by Dr. Sherry L. Edwards, welcomed Dr. Stephen R. Kodwo, Dr. Veronica Hardy, and Ms. Veronica McPhatter. In November 2009, two faculty members from the department, Judi Haberkorn and Young Sohn, presented a paper entitled "The Why, What, and How of Faculty Orientation for Social Work Departments" at the annual Council on Social Work Education Conference. Dr. Sohn also completed a presentation on using arts for social work education and on the necessity of orientation at the departmental level in higher education at the Council of Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. She said she tries to be a role model for the students by applying the following quote: "When the world says, 'Give up,' Hope whispers, 'Try it one more time.'"

The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice provided students with classroom and real-life experiences designed to stimulate critical thought about the social environment. In addition to providing a rewarding learning opportunity, those experiences enhanced employment opportunities following graduation.

The Psychology Department aimed at providing students with an understanding of basic patterns of thought, emotion, and behavior using a variety of scientific methods.

The Department of Political Science was committed to preparing students for a variety of career opportunities, including jobs in government, the law, journalism, and other fields. The department had an excellent record of placing its graduates in law school and graduate school.



***M**elody Kirkpatrick confers with a classmate in Dr. Bonds-Raacke's psychology class.*

***D**r. Kevin Freeman leads a discussion in one of his political science classes.*





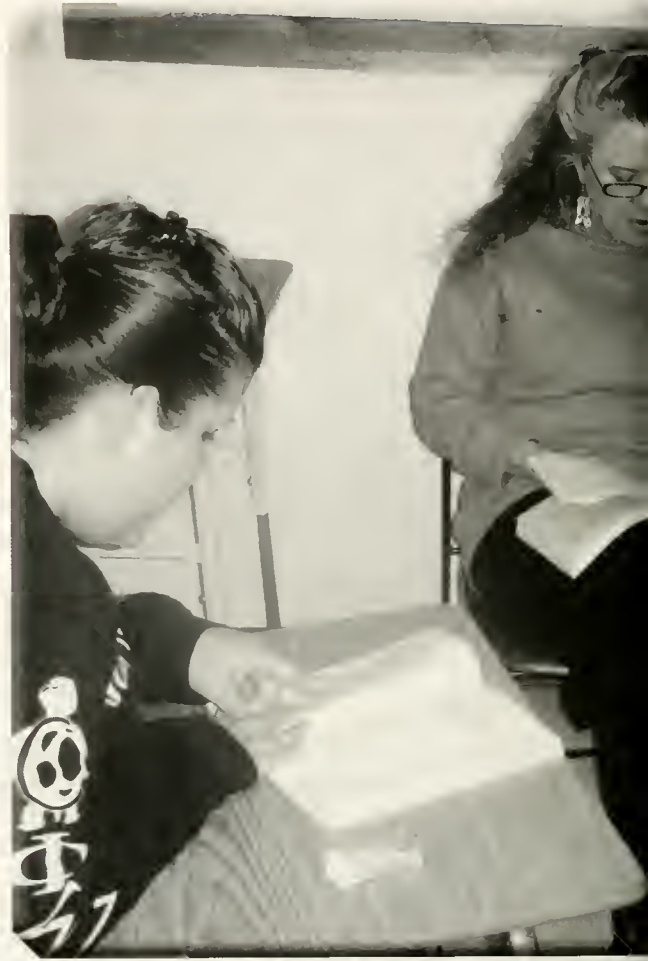
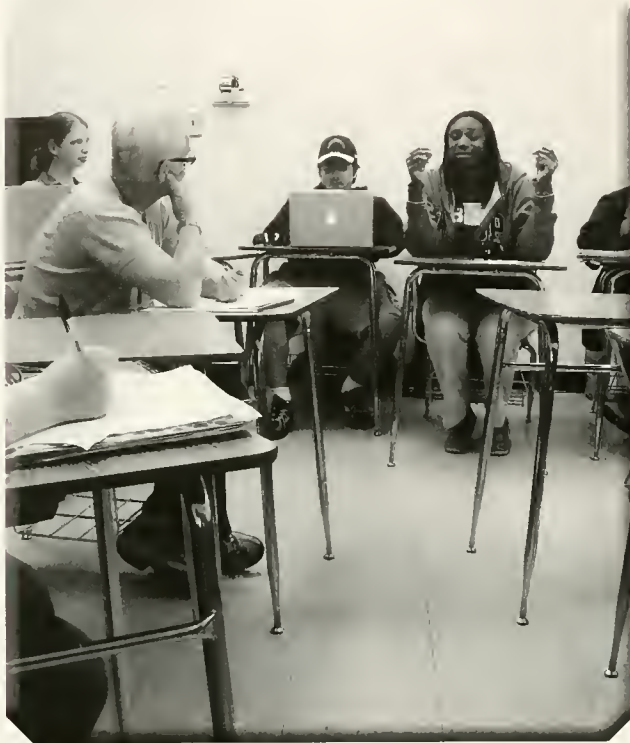
Sarah Helms, Eddie Smith, and Courtney Oxendine perform a skit in Dr. Bonds-Raacke's psychology class.

Ashley Leonard talks with her social work class about the senior project she completed in Cumberland County.



Students in Dr. Timothy Hayes's class practice the specifics of court proceedings during a mock trial.

Tammy Little listens closely while offering comments during Dr. Charles Beem's class on modern British history.



Nursing students study data they collected during a survey in the UC mall.

Students listen to a religion lecture about the ongoing human sanctification process.





***D**r. Jane Haladay reads a selection of American Indian poems to her class.*

***D**r. David Nikkel glances down to review his lecture notes during a religion class.*



Cultural Ties

Our University is one of the only two universities east of the Mississippi that offer a bachelor's degree in American Indian Studies. Because of the University's heritage, AIS offers a program to educate students about the rich diversity of American Indian history and culture and to promote research and scholarships concerning American Indian issues.

The History Department provides a solid foundation for those who wish to teach history or social studies and for the study of history at the graduate level. Courses offered by the department likewise provide an excellent background for students who wish to study law, enter military or government service, or seek employment in other professions or the business world. History is thus an ideal major for the student seeking a liberal arts education.

Courses in the Philosophy and Religion Department deal with questions about the meaning of human life. Students of philosophy and religion may evaluate the purpose and meaning of other academic disciplines, even as they consider broader and deeper meanings—indeed even the ultimate meaning—of human life. As such, philosophy and religion might claim to be the most liberating of all the liberal arts.

The Department of Nursing builds on a rich heritage that began in 1992 with the establishment of the Southeastern North Carolina Nursing Consortium at UNCP and Fayetteville State University, a joint BSN completion program for registered nurses. The University now also offers a 4-year RN-BSN program. A planned new facility for the Nursing program will be the most ambitious building project in UNCP history.

Zack Ward browses through scores of library books looking for the perfect one to finish his assignment.



Jorge Plocuda talks with a professor from Ohio about his research project at the National Collegiate Honors Conference.



The computer lab is one of many resources that students take advantage of at the University library.

Sheneque Stewart, Christian Deon Roper, and Spencer Wakefield are focused on Professor Robin Oswald's lecture on the fundamentals of argument as they prepare to write a research paper for their COP composition class.



Sara Gambrel and Michelle Godwin canoe down the Lumber River, part of an Honors section of an Environmental Science class.



Integrating Resources

The Maynor Honors College recognizes and promotes the scholarly and personal growth of outstanding students by providing them with interdisciplinary educational opportunities that enhance the general curriculum. These opportunities are developed around a learning community of honors students and include small interdisciplinary seminars, cultural and service programs, and shared residential facilities with other honors students.

The College Opportunity Program (COP) admits a limited number of students who are motivated to attend college, have better than average high school grades, but whose standardized test scores are too low to meet the University's admission requirements. These students arrive in the summer for a five-week session and take three courses: ENG 0104, EDN 0104, and FRS 1000. When they return in the fall, their composition courses are taught by the COP staff, whose instructors offer writing labs where students can revise papers and develop their writing skills.

In addition to its undergraduate programs, UNCP offers a variety of graduate programs leading to master's degrees in education, social work, business administration, counseling, and public administration. Emphasizing a personal and relevant approach to post-baccalaureate education, UNC Pembroke challenges students to take their skills and knowledge to a new level of mastery.

Supporting all the teaching and research programs of the University is the Mary Livermore Library, one of the premier information resource centers in Southeastern North Carolina. The Library includes over 300,000 cataloged volumes, over 13,000 subscriptions to print and electronic serials, access to more than 250 electronic databases, and special collections that include the Charlie Rose Collection, government documents, and current reading and media materials.



Step to . . .

College is all about the experiences, the people students meet, the actions students take, and the contributions students make to the community. Over the years organizations have grown and become a very important part of students' college career—a bond created for a lifetime. This year hundreds of new members of various organizations were welcomed to their first step in a great college career.

Fund raisers, social events, and community service projects were some of the activities students partook in. Academic improvement was strongly encouraged and often a requirement to be part of UNCP's Greek life, clubs, and organizations. Hundreds of students participated in the many organizations available on campus.

Some might be academic or discipline-based, while others were social, but all encouraged diversity. Many organizations, including A.C.E., held various entertainment events throughout the year. Student participation in these organizations kept UNCP's campus thriving.



Eric Leviner, Terry Dunham, Randy Baxley, and other members of the Health Careers Club display their banner during the 2009 Harmony Walk along with community members and other organizations to celebrate UNCP's diversity. Currently the students here represent 20 foreign countries.



Kappa Alpha Psi brothers Dante Durant and Brandon Moses help the cafeteria staff serve students. Following their mission, "Achievement in every field of human endeavor," the fraternity helps out in the cafeteria annually. This year it was especially exciting because of the newly remodelled cafeteria.

Kayloni Wyatt, Hayley Burgess, Kayla Pearson, and Latavia Riggins of the student newspaper, The Pine Needle, staff their table at Pembroke Day. In the spring of 2009 The Pine Needle placed first in the American Scholastic Press Association's annual newspaper competition that included 2,000 entries nationwide.



Organizations

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Greek Organizations Are

This year Alpha Pi Omega was led by Jensine Locklear as President, Ciera Dial as Vice President, Jennifer Brown as Secretary, and Lauren Locklear as Treasurer. The organization participated in events such as the Lumbee Homecoming, Fall and Spring Pow-Wows, Waccamaw Siouan School Pow-Wow, Hok Nosai Week, Native American Heritage Month, and STD Awareness Week. Alpha Pi Omega participated in community service projects such as Roadside Clean-up, March of Dimes, AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society), and Chevy on the Levy. Alpha Pi Omega was the first Native American sorority in the nation and is part of Hok Nosai, the Native American Greek council.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. was led this year by Porchea Melvin as President, Charity Eddleman as Vice President, and Rashonda Anderson as Secretary. The organization participated in community service programs such as Darfur outreach, SMART Girls@Pembroke Girls and Boys Club, and a Day of Service at their local Camp Grace. They hosted a book, clothing, and school supplies drive for underprivileged children, read books to elementary school children, and hosted a canned food drive. They also hosted many events and workshops centered around their five-point thrust.

Epsilon Chi Nu was led by Aaron M. Locklear as President, James Clark as Vice President, Josh Moore as Secretary, and Daniel Locklear as Treasure. They sponsored the NASO Native American Pow Wow and other events during the year. The organization participated in community service events such as West Robeson Girls Soccer Association and the Pembroke Boys and Girls Club.

This year Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. was led by Cortez Brown as Polemarch, Danté Durant as Vice President, David Murray as Keeper of Records, and Wayne Brown as Keeper of Exchequer. They participated in events such as the Empowerment for Young African Americans Seminar, Roadside Clean-up, mentoring students at middle schools, St. Jude's Children Hospital fund raiser, Feeding the Red Springs Football Team, and Café Cleanup.

Jennifer Brown and Ciera Dial, sisters of Alpha Pi Omega, recruit new members during the Student Involvement Fair.

Alpha



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.—Charity Eddleman, Brittany Ray, Anitra Williams, Kajara Caldwell, Rashonda Anderson, Brittany Savoy, Bianca Eddleman, Porchea Melvin



Alpha Pi Omega—Ciera Dial, Jennifer Brown, Lauren Locklear, Jensine Locklear





Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.—Front: Brandon Moses, David Murray, Danté Durant; Back: A.J. Kinsley, Wayne Brown, Cortez Brown



Positon Chi Nu—Josh Moore, Daniel Locklear, Byron Umphrey, Daniel Dimery



Bianca Eddleman, Rashonda Anderson, Kajara Caldwell, and Charity Eddleman, sisters of Delta Sigma Theta, pose with their banner showing their campus involvement in Harmony Walk.

Danté Durant and Cortez Brown, brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi, staff their table at the Student Involvement Fair.





Kappa Delta—Front: Hailey Kelbaugh, Lauren Fleischer, Jasmine Robinson, Deidre Locklear, Steph Rousseau, Katie Leopold, Alexis Bailey, Woodi Jones; Middle: Jordan Core, Robyn Bertolacci, Holly Petry, Ashley Dellinger, Kastille Shelton, Kandance Loar, Catherine Shoemaker, Emily Siddle; Back: Rhonda Curry, Juliana McCorkick, Jamie Gibson, Melissa Whitt, Kathryn Monroe, Catherine Knudson, Illya Hunt, Kristin Usrey



Illya Hunt, Woodi Jones, Morgan Leight Brookwell, and other sisters of Kappa Delta support the cause at Relay for Life.

Vanessa Diaz and her Lambda Theta Alpha sisters smile as they participate in Relay for Life.



Lambda Theta Alpha—Magdalena Vega, Morgan Lucas, Monika Jefferson, Vanessa Diaz, Whitney Clarida, Fantasy Lozada, Ceci Lira



Service is the

First Step

to Success

Kappa Delta was one of the newest members of the Panhellenic Council. This year the ladies of Kappa Delta were led by Robyn Bertolacci as President, Cathy Knudson as Secretary, Holly Petry as Panhellenic Delegate, Stephanie West as VP-PR, Tiffany Nunn as VP-Member Education, Kathryn Monroe as VP-Membership, Melissa Witt as Operations Personnel, and Amber Jolly as Standards Personnel. They participated in events such as the Shamrock 5k March to raise money for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. They also participated in the Day Of Service and in community service with Pi Kappa Alpha at an assisted living home for the elderly.

Lambda Theta Alpha only had one member, Vanessa Diaz, who was active on our campus this year. They hoped to increase their membership next year. With help from her fraternal brothers of Lambda

Phi Beta Sigma brothers strike a pose as they participate in their probate.

Pembroke (photographed at left) Vanessa Diaz held different fund raisers like Latino Fest and the Burgundy Flame Dance; Cici's Pizza sponsored a party to help raise money for her chapter's philanthropy, Southeastern Family Violence Center.

Lambda Theta Phi was led by Derving Rios as President, Deon Harrell as Vice President, Randall Williams as Induction Officer, Brayam Pinilla as Treasurer, and Epifanio Duran as Secretary. The organization sponsored events such as Lambda Week in October and participated in community service events including the Nickel Drive for the American Heart Association.

Phi Beta Sigma was led this year by Trevor Kimball as President, Lamar Courman as Vice President, Stanley Williams as Treasurer, and Stedman Taylor as Secretary. They participated in events such as the Educational Forum on Prostate and Breast Cancer, Relay for Life, a blood drive, Thanks for Heart, Day of Service, a canned food and clothing drive for the underprivileged, the Sleep Out for the Homeless, Stepping for Success, and the Sigmas' Sexy Lady contest. The community service activities that they sponsored included Habitat for Humanity and Reading for Success at Pembroke Elementary School.



Lambda Theta Phi—Front: Derving Rios, Epi Duran; Back: Brayam Pinilla, Randall Williams, Deon Harrell



Phi Beta Sigma—Steven Gayle, Timothy Jones, Trevor Kimball, Lamar Courman, David Williams

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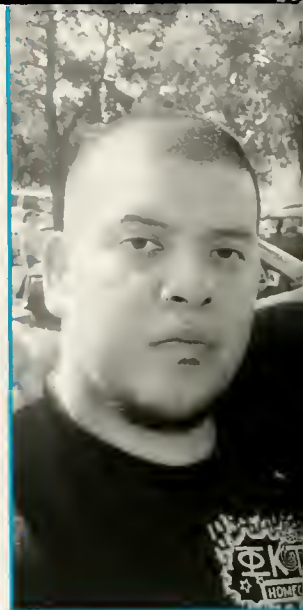
This year's Phi Kappa Tau officers were President Enoc Robledo, Vice President James Bunn, Secretary David Amadi, Vice President of Alumni Relations Brett Druzak, and Membership Orientation Officer Korey Grant. Some events that they participated in were Climbing for Victory, which raised money for terminally ill children, and Swinging for Victory, a golf tournament. Their community service activities were roadside cleanup and Relay for Life.

UNCP's Eta Beta Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the national music fraternity, was led this year by President Matt Jorgensen, Vice President Semaj Yarn, FEO Jason Thiele, Treasurer Devin Neely, and Secretary Tim Berkery. They met on Sundays in the Moore Hall Music Annex and performed at events such as Phi Mu Alpha in Concert and other performances throughout the year. Their community service activities included Douglas Byrd Band Day, the Mills Music Mission, and Relay for Life.

This year's Phi Sigma Nu officers were President Tommie Locklear, Vice President Caleb Locklear, Secretary AJ Oxendine, Elder Brother Caleb Locklear, and Treasurer Doug Taylor. They held a Spring Powwow. Among their community service activities, they participated in roadside cleanup, they raised money for the Boys and Girls Club, and they co-hosted the Hok Nosai basketball tournament. Phi Sigma Nu was the first Native American fraternity. It was established by seven young men with a vision to bring cohesion and self-reliance to Native American men on the collegiate level.

This year's Pi Kappa Alpha officers were President Justin Osborne, Internal Vice President Justin Jacobs, External Vice President Timothy Jackson, Treasurer Daniel Aljure, Secretary Zac Van Horn, Sergeant At Arms Chandler Collins, Recruitment Chair Owen Thomas, and Risk Awareness Chair Seth Crater. The Pikes participated in various community service activities, including Relay for Life, and they helped out at the Humane Society and the Robeson Community Church Outreach Center.

Phi Kappa Tau brothers Enoc Robledo, Brett Druzak, and Cody Khan celebrate homecoming representing their fraternity.



Phi Mu Alpha—Sean Jaenicke, Jemal Miller, Justin Hubbard, Devin Neely, Christopher Corria, Clayton Riddle, Tim Berkley, Matt Jorgensen, Semaj Yarn, Jason Moore, Jason Thiele, Jaquahn Glover



Phi Kappa Tau—Front: Ryan Chavis, Andrew Hargette, Richard Beam, Christopher Hammett, Korey Grant, Sean Burkett, Enoc Robledo; Back: Jason Broan, Cody Khan, Barret Locklear, Brett Druzak, Steve Buchanan, Sam Tobias, Zac Pope





Pi Kappa Alpha—Front: Trevor Chambers, Daniel Shipp, Danny Jones, Justin Jacobs, Johnathon Williams, Corey Evans, Kyle Everhart, Chris Burrow; Middle: Zac VanHorn, Owen Thomas, Andrew Elliott, Drew Swan, Joey Buonilonti, Justin Osborne, Joe mangum, John Hoss; Back: Cody Harrington, Tommy Saulpaugh, Jonathan Atkinson, Justin Ramirez, Chandler Collins, Tim Jackson, Donovan Sweet, Thomas Fiorio



Phi Sigma Nu—Front: Caleb Locklear, Tommie Locklear; Back: AJ Oxendine, Josh E. Locklear, Ethan Patrick, Nick Locklear



Pi Kappa Alpha brothers join other organizations in walking for the cure during Relay for Life. This annual event is supported by many of the Greek organizations on campus.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia members Matthew Dault, Sean Jaenicke, Clayton Riddley, Matt Jorgensen, Justin Hubbard, and Semaj Yarn take a break from rehearsal in the Music Annex.





Sigma Alpha Iota—Front: Amy Marie, Allyson Studdard, Michele Johnson; Second Row: Katie Nolan, Nikki Wever, Kasey Bazan; Third Row: Lora Pittman, Tessie Dugger, Heather Oliver; Fourth Row: Jessica Horton, Jaclyn White, Stephanie Combs; Back: Markie Ray, Katie Nolan, Sunni Fagan



Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.—Marshica Watson, Alvner Strong, Galissi Graves, Brittany Milliken



Sigma Omicron Epsilon has a table to recruit new members during the Fall 2009 Student Involvement Fair.

Sigma Sigma Sigma sisters Jacqueline Turner, Christina Starling, and Hope Markham are Rocking for Robbie outside the UC during a November 2009 fundraiser for terminally ill children.



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Sigma Alpha Iota's philanthropies included the National Anthem Project, Music badges for Boy Scouts, and support for the Douglas Byrd Middle School band. The ladies of Sigma Alpha Iota were led by President Lora Pittman, VPM Kasey Bazan, VPR Stephanie Combs, Recording Secretary Heather Oliver, Corresponding Secretary Nikki Wever, Sergeant at Arms Katie Nolan, and Treasurer Sara Pingitore.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was led this year by President Marshica Watson. Galissia Graves served as Secretary and Treasurer, Alvner Strong as Parliamentarian, and Britney Miliken as Reporter. They sponsored Founders' Week on November 7- 13, which included a dance in the UC Annex and other events. They also participated in several community events including Operation Big Book Bag, which collects and distributes school supplies for needy children.

Sigma Alpha Iota sister Jaclyn White (front) welcomes Michele Johnson, Amy Marie, and Allyson Studdard (back) as new members of the sorority at an event in the UC.

Sigma Omicron Epsilon, a Native American sorority founded in March of 1997, embodies true sisterhood, love, and community service. Sigma Omicron Epsilon was led this year by Co-Presidents Latoria Jacobs and Kourtney Spaulding, Secretary Delora Oxendine, and Treasurer Kourtney Spaulding. They sponsored the Lumbee Spring Unity Powwow as well as weekly cultural classes held at the LRDA building. They participated in several community events, including Rumba on the Lumber, Chevy to the Levy, Roadside Clean-up, Special Arts, and the Boys and Girls Club Duck Race, and they helped coach the Prospect Recreation Soccer Team.

Tri Sigma was led this year by President Bailey Sherwood, Vice President Ashley Martin, Secretary Jordan Edge, Treasurer Katie Hall, Panhellenic Officer Jessica Painter, Executive Director Brittany Deaton, and Education Officer Brittany Brum. They sponsored Rocking for Robbie in November to raise funds for terminally ill children, and they participated in several community events, including Trick or Treat for UNICEF.



Sigma Omicron Epsilon—Front: Megan Woodland, Latoria Jacobs, Kristen "Nel" Powers, Jessica Newton, Megan Love, Megan Harris; Back: Pascale Locklear, Kourtney Spaulding



Tri-Sigma—Front: Hope Markham, Alisa Lowry, Jaqueline Turner, Laura Haley, Kelsey Cummings, Brittany Brum, Jessica Painter, Meaghan Quaid, Carlie Benoit, Christina Starling, Bailey Sherwood; Middle: Elizabeth Goins, Jenn Myers, Liz Quinn, Rachel Brasseur, Ashleigh Harrell, Manda Terry, Lisa Xiong, Heather Floyd; Back: Melonie Reep, Jordan Edge, Brittany Deaton

Difference

If We Work Together

We Can Make a

Sigma Tau Gamma was founded in 1920 by the Divine 17, who were all members of the WWI Ambulance Corps of the US Army. Their UNCP chapter has sponsored several events this year, including Books for Kids, Wounded Warriors, Rolling Thunder, and Golden Mothers. They participated in community service activities such as Honor Guard of Robeson County, ROTC, Adopt-A-Highway, Haunted Trail, Project Clean Veteran, and serving in the NC National Guard.

This year's Theta Xi officers were President Ty Cecil, Vice President Casey Starling, Secretary Adam Hughes, Treasurer Dylan Newman, Recruitment Chair John Thomas, Membership Educator Alex Hudson, and Scholarship Chair Trey Archer. The community service events and organizations they supported included Habitat for Humanity, Multiple Sclerosis, Thunder Road Marathon, Relay for Life, and the Humane Society of Robeson County.

This year's Zeta Phi Beta officers were President Sיעira Davis, Vice President Whitney Brown, Secretary Lashondra Holder and Treasurer JacQuinsha Brooks. They held their annual Zeta Week on August 30 through September 5, 2009. They participated in roadside cleanup, Relay for Life, and March of Dimes/March for Babies; held a community service day at W.H. Knuckles on August 22; and volunteered every third Saturday of each month at the Linkhaw Nursing Facility.

This year's Zeta Tau Alpha officers were President Hannah Keegan, Vice President I Dana Essick, Vice President II Whitney Hanlin, Vice President III Suzie Burgess, Rituals Officer Sarah Freeman, Treasurer Jessie Barnes, Secretary Katie Larsen, Historian Heather Hackney, and Pan-Hellenic Delegate Katy Locklear. They raised cancer awareness through events like Kiss Away Cancer, Paint the Town Pink, and the Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure and by passing out pink ribbons at a Carolina Panthers football game. They also participated in campus blood drives, Pembroke Day, and the Student Involvement Fair. Community service activities included visiting a nursing home and roadside cleanup.

Members of Zeta Phi Beta get together with a couple of their Phi Beta Sigma brothers at the exam breakfast during exam week.



Theta Xi—Front: Nick Lassiter, Carmin Trusente, Zane Simmons, Casey Starling, John Thomas, Trey Archer, Ben McDiamond; Back: Cameron Jenkins, Andrew Fetch, Rich English, Adam Hughes, Ty Cecil



Sigma Tau Gamma—Front: Bobby Cursio, Clint Haywood, Glenn Goldbough; Middle: Travis Anderson, Dwight Brewington, Will Gornett, David Redmon; Back: Elliot Hunt, Justin Gregory, Josh Hickman, Brian Hauser, Matthew Vick





Zeta Tau Alpha—Front: Chrissy McNally, Jessica McCain, Heather Reed, Sara Freeman, Gabbie Lover, Jamie Van Lent, Hannah Keegan, Whitney Hanlin, Lizzie O'Connor, Amanda Oxendine, Heather Roslinski; Middle: Sofia Holland, Kristen Pollock, Courtney Oxendine, Nikki Basch, Kayla Lowery, Kelley Rachels, Katy Locklear, Suzie Burgess, Danielle Harris, Heather Hackney, Jessi Barnes, Ashley Kursawski; Back: Brook Lossman, Jasmine Ross, Heather Blue, Erika Garner, Chatham McTindal, Megan Bradley, Julianna Foley, Sunni Haralalka



Zeta Phi Beta—Front: Theresa Nzegge, Cearra Dunson, Leah Sisco, Brittany Evans, Sieiara Davis, Whitney Brown; Back: Krystal Herbert, Lashondra Holder, Mamie Smith, Yuasmine Diaz, JacQunisha Brooks



Members of Theta Xi get ready to spend the night camping outside the UC in Fall 2009 to raise money to help the homeless.

Zeta Tau Alpha sisters carry their group's banner during Spring 2009 Relay for Life.





SGA—Front: Brianna Buchanan, Rigberto “Arjay” Quizon Jr., Kimberly Brassard, Nathaniel Kingsbury, Serenity Rudy, Katelyn Lee, Tiara Washington, Francis Jake Bayog; Back: Brian McCormick, Ryan Maynor, Jordan Sullivan, Grant Merrit, Nick Faulkner, Josh Posey, Jeremy McClain, Kathryn Monroe, Chantel Moore, Bailey Sherwood



The annual ACE retreat gives members experience in cooperation and teamwork as they tackle many challenging activities.

The Homecoming Fashion Show sponsored by ACE gives Alex Sanders, Allison Dove, Andrew Taylor, Jasmine Dimovitra, Thomas Lucas, and Jasmine Benton of the Solei Modeling Troupe a chance to express their homecoming spirit in style.



ACE—Front: Demetrius Davis, Jermaris Genwright, Cassi Vinson, CiTara Daniels, Lamar Courmor, Calissia Graves, Alexandria Watson; Second: Jordan Porter, Shenita Melvin, Alexandria Ferrer, Bianca Eddleman, Cierra Pickett, Simonne Murray, Kamil Weston; Third: Amber McNeill, Nyashia Ford, Charis Chambers, Kierra Carmine, Charity Eddleman, Kayla Pearson, E'laina Guy, Sanddri Washington, Symphony Oxendine; Back: Ryan Blackwell, Trevonte Horton, Vincent McNeill, Johnathan Williams, Keith Townsend, Ryan Cox



Governing Bodies Give Students a

Voice

in the Decision-Making Process

The 2009-2010 Student Government Association (SGA) was led by President Arjay Quizon, Vice President Kimberly Brassard, Treasurer Jordan Sullivan, and Secretary Tiara Washington. SGA hosted a number of Student Issues Forums during the fall semester to give students input into the selection process for the new chancellor. The SGA also spearheaded a petition on campus against the state-legislated tuition increase for Fall 2010. Quizon said the number of senators in the association increased from four to 21 in Fall 2009, even after a GPA requirement increase from 2.0 to 2.5.

The Association of Campus Entertainment (ACE) was responsible for bringing entertaining events to UNCP's campus. This year ACE was led by Coordinator Cassi Vinson, Assistant Coordinator Jermaris Genwright, Business Manager Galissia Graves, and Committee Chairs Citara Daniel, Lamar Courmon, Alexandria Watson, and Demetrius Davis; they were advised by Symphony Oxendine. ACE sponsored events such as open-mic nights, back-to-school dances, game shows, movie nights, spring fling events, and comedians, just to mention a few. Some of the comedians who entertained the student body this year were Ronnie Jordan, Deon Cole, Roy Woods Jr., Joey Gowing, and Bruce Bruce. The students who worked on the ACE staff had the opportunity to work with a variety of people and develop their leadership skills through hands-on experience. ACE always held events at different times to accommodate each student's schedule without interfering with their studies.

Kaylani Wyatt asks a question of Chancellor Jenkins at one of the SGA-sponsored student issues forums.

The All-Greek Council was made up of representatives from all Greek organizations active on campus during the 2009-2010 academic year. The National Pan-Hellenic Council was made up of representatives from all the historically African-American fraternities and sororities on campus. NPHC members concentrated on showing and bringing unity to Black Greek organizations. This year this organization was led by president Yuasmine Diaz and held different events including "How well do you know your Greek letter organization?", a Thanksgiving Special, a Christmas Social, and a scholarship event.

SGA/ACE/All-Greek Council/NPHC



All-Greek Council—Front: Lauren Locklear, Holly Petry, Stan Williams, Theresa Nzegge, Yuasmine Diaz, Marshica Watson, Bianca Eddleman, Sofia Holland, Jessica McCain; Middle: Charity Eddleman, Perchea Melvin, Calissia Graves, Bailey Sherwood, Linda Davis. Back: Chris Blackburn, Joe Mangum, Jervin Rios, Hannah Keegan, Kajarra Caldwell, Stedman Taylor, Wayne Brown, Ty Cecil.



National Pan-Hellenic Council—Front: Stedman Taylor, Wayne Brown, Marshica Watson, Charity Eddleman, Yuasmine Diaz, Stan Williams; Middle: Theresa Nzegge, Cearra Dunson, Leah Sisco, Britany Evans, Bianca Eddleman, Perchea Melvin, Calissia Graves, Seiara Davis; Back: Krystal Herbert, Lashondra Holder, LacQunisha Brooks, Brandon Moses, Kajarra Caldwell, Whitney Brown, Namie Smith

Groups Provide

Professional

Development

Members of the Campus Association of Social Workers are encouraged to become actively involved in voluntary social work, promote fellowship with the communities and agencies, and promote fellowship within the Social Work Club. CASW was led by President Ashley Bunnell, Vice President Katie Larsen, Secretary Monique Baker, and Treasurer Paula Jacobs for the 2009-2010 academic year. This year CASW sponsored Thanksgiving Dinner for families and the Senior Social for the Social Work Department. They participated in the Winter Coat Drive, Easter Baskets for children in local shelter, Relay for Life, Community Day at WH Knuckles Elementary School, and Pembroke Day. The members also volunteered their time at two local agencies.

The English Club is made up of a group of students who enjoy reading and discussing various works from many different authors. The club was led by President Daniel Inderbitzen, Vice President Christopher Welch, and Treasurer Danielle Powers. They participated in Shelby Stevenson Day, read to children at local elementary schools and libraries, and studied novel-to film adaptations.

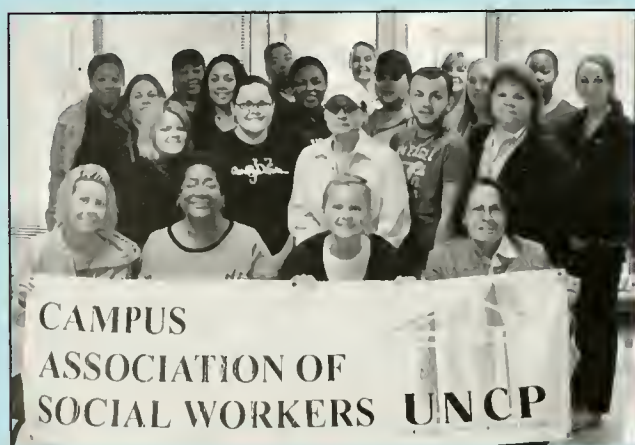
UNCP's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America, PRSSA, aims to foster the understanding of current theories and procedures of the profession, appreciation of the highest ethical ideals and principles, awareness of an appropriate professional attitude, and appreciation of Associate Membership in PRSA. PRSSA was led by President Krystal Lyght, Vice President Rachel Young, Public Relations Liaison Angie T., and Tracie Jones as secretary and treasurer. They participated in the North Carolina Public Relations Seniors in Chapel Hill and North Carolina Public Relations Day at NC State.

Students In Free Enterprise, SIFE, is a nonprofit organization that gives students the tools to learn the free enterprise system in a real working situation. SIFE was led by President Stephen Jones, Vice President Amy Kreamer, Secretary Christi Raider, and Faculty Advisor Kathy McCain. They participated in Campbell Soup Fight to Hunger, Sam's Club Environmental Sustainability Challenge, Senior Surfing, and the School of Business Brain Buster challenge.

SIFE members Vanessa Blencher and Manda Terry give out information and cookies to students interested in the club during an Involvement Fair.



English Club—Front: Qi Liu, Jacob "Tank" Steiner, Craig Wilson, Brittany Locklear, Brittany Glenn; Back: Christopher Welch, Danielle Powers, Daniel "Wes" Inderbitzen, Shengnan Fang, Dr. Therese Rizzo



Campus Association of Social Workers—Front: Ashley Bunnell, Georgionna Mack, Paula Jacobs, Katie Larsen, Monique Sautter, Middle: Hurd Jennifer Paone, Erica Hunt, Vicki Jacobs, Darryl Locklear, Cornelia Webb, Jessica Madden, Joy Lassiter, Janadcan Chavis, Sherry Oxendine, Doreen Bullard, Heather Turner; Back: Tamikka Gilmore, Wandal Fuchs, Danyell Tannert, Vanessa Williams, Margie Jackson, Theresa Samuel

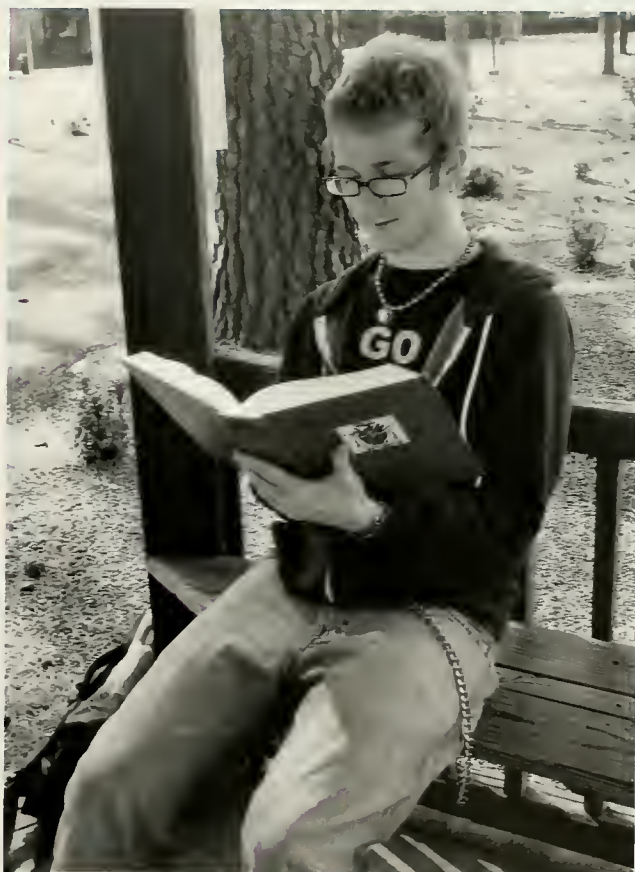




SIFE—Front: Christi Rader, Vanessa Belcher, Tracy Timmerman, Amy Creamer, Kathy McCain, Justin Mullins; Back: Wes Meyers, Jodi Zimmerman, Stephen Jones, Manda Terry, Jessica Gray



Public Relations Student Society of America—Front: Jacquie Banks, Jenna Walters, Janna Blue, Octavia Hill, Ashley Pryer, Jasmine Ross; Back: George Harrison, Rachel Young, Angella Taylor, Tony Lewis



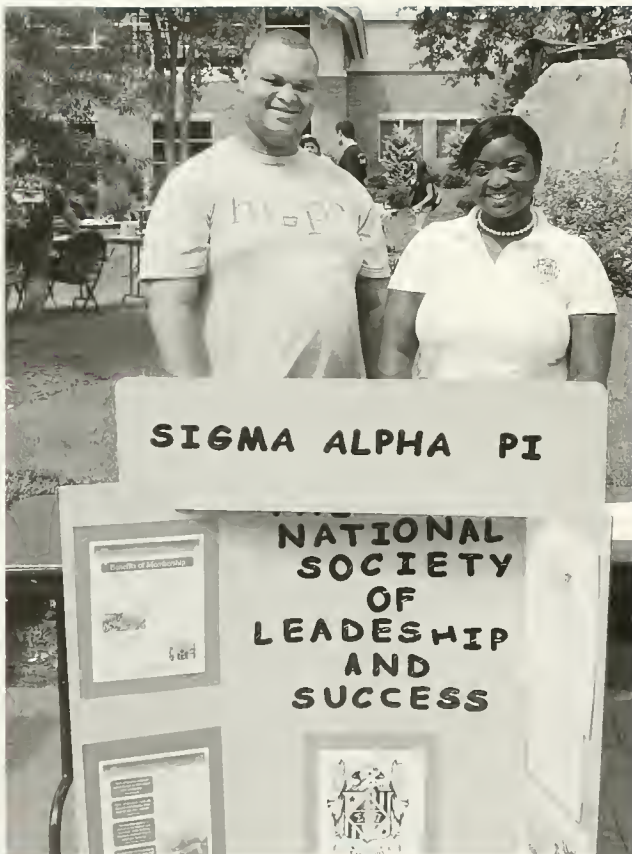
Members of PRSSA, including Tracie Jones and their advisor, George Harrison, discuss an up-coming event in Fall 2009.

Wesley Inderbitzen participates in an English Club poetry reading in Spring 2009.





Career Peers—Front: Ivy Koenig, Brooke Jordan, Ryven Murry, Essence Reels, Darnell Daley, Tamara White-Chambers; Back: Kimberly Brewington, Albrea Crowder, Josie Torrence, Jimmie Whorley, Lori Miklazewskie, Brittney Burt



Timothy Sampson and Mush-Teerah Ali of Sigma Alpha Pi represent the National Society of Leadership and Success during the Involvement Fair in Fall 2009.

These students learn the basics of sex education through activities, games, and contests during APPLE Corps's "Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?" in Spring 2010.



LSOP—Front: Giny Hollard, Shahnee Hair, Nina Thao, Jeanette Hilliard; Back: Alexandria Watson, Raisia Jones, Sean Hollard, Doc Dillard



The First Step to

Leadership

is Participation

Career Peers/LSOP/ΣΑΠ/APPLE Corps

Career Peers are a group of students who serve as ambassadors for the Career Center. They play an important role in presenting and assisting special programs, marketing, and providing input to help the Career Center improve its services. Most importantly, the Career Peers are role models to their friends and classmates. They serve as campus leaders by spreading the word about the Career Center and the services offered to UNCP students and alumni.

The Leadership and Service Opportunity Program, LSOP, is a student-led organization that seeks to empower students to become engaged citizens that impact communities through service. The organization educates others through community awareness and encourages students to volunteer. LSOP was led by Chair Shahnee Haire, Vice Chair Nina Thao, Secretary Doc Dillard, and Board Member Sean Holland. In the 2009-2010 academic year they participated in the Sacred Pathways Soup Kitchen and volunteered at various youth conferences.

LSOP Vice Chair Nina Thao introduces the organization during the 2009 Relay for Life.

The National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Alpha Pi, is an organization that helps people discover and achieve their goals. This was the Society's first year on campus; they planned on distinguishing themselves as "a community of leaders." The Society was led by President Musheerah Ali, Vice President Michael Walker, Secretary Cynthia Perry, Treasurer Timothy Sampson, Welcoming Chair Brittany Milliken, IT Specialist Adam Hughes, and SNT Coordinator Francina Abengowe. The Society held leadership training seminars and video conferences on how to achieve success. Members also participated in clothing and book drives and in Relay for Life.

The Association of Pembroke Peer Leaders and Educators, better known as APPLE Corps, was led by Katie Baker as president, Michelle Darby as vice president, Mesha Fairley as treasurer, and Kierra Moore as secretary. APPLE Corps members are involved in Certified Peer Educator training, Monday's Personal Development Series, Awareness Weeks, and Wellness Presentations. The organization was known for sponsoring educational programs on campus, highlighting sex education, drug and alcohol awareness, how to deal with difficult people, and how to make healthy relationships.

Sigma Alpha Pi—Front: Francina Abengowe, Cynthia Perry, Musheerah Ali; Back: Brittany Milliken, Keith Townsend, Timothy Sampson, Tyrone McClean



APPLE Corps—Front: Michelle Darby, Katie Baker, Syelee Dongre, Basukika Dikutulu, Shondria Wilson; Back: Patience Kimpioka, Kierra Moore, Manees Mpemba Mbula, Jamarr Holmes, Tymesha Fairley, Doris Momanyi, Victoria Jefferson

Is That Sports or Fashion

You Envision?

During the 2009-2010 academic year, the Athletic Training Student Association was led by President Kerri White. Co-Vice Presidents Joey Tamburo and Mic Godfrey, Secretary Pamela Hughes, and Treasurer Maren Soetaert. Members participated in Operation Christmas Child, where they sent shoeboxes with goodies overseas, GLOCK, Adopt a Family for Christmas, and Relay for Life. They celebrated National Athletic Training Month by hosting the 2nd Annual Athletic Training Olympics in late March. They donated money to the National Athletic Trainers Association, NATA, and the Educational Foundation, which sponsor research grants. They also raised money to attend the NATA Conference in Philadelphia in June 2010.

The words "avant-garde" represent pushing the boundaries of what is accepted as the norm or the status quo. UNCP's Avant Garde is a modeling and dance troupe made up of almost 20 students. The group was led by Kevin London as president, Kameika Jones as vice president, Talisha Townsend as secretary, and Yniquekeyah Mole as treasurer. They presented an Asian-style fashion show in GPAC during Spring 2010. Avant Garde used all types of music for their shows. Members also volunteered with the Boys and Girls Club of Robeson County.

Mixed martial arts, MMA, is a competitive full contact combat sport that incorporates a variety of fighting techniques and skills, from a mixture of martial arts traditions and non-traditions. The UNCP Mixed Martial Arts Club was a new club for the school year of 2009-2010. They were led by President Clifton Davis. All students were invited to join the club and share the MMA experience.

Rugby is a full contact team sport, a form of football which originated in England in the early 19th century. UNCP's Rugby Team has been a success on our campus. They were led by Rich English as president, Trey McPhaul as vice president and treasurer, Kendall Green as secretary, and Mike Miller as team motivational speaker. Members played the game by their team motto: "We are all we got."

Howie Yu, Alex Hutchison, Kerri Floyd, Kendal Green, Sean Ritter, and Marcus Dawkins play in an on-campus rugby match.



Avant Garde—Front: Angelica Blount, Kameika Jones, Myesha Wharton; Middle: Kat Sofaly, Desirae River, Brianna Brown, Renita Emanuel, Ryan Blackwell; Back: Derrin Bridges, Jordan Porter, Desiree Everette, Talisha Townsend, Carla R Carter, Keidrian Wiggins, Ashley Mathis, Collen Masasu, Savion Ashford.



Athletic Training—Front: Naomi Cruz, Emily Fowler, Stephanie Rousseau, Marcelus Perry, Charles Frizzell; Middle: Randi Pruitt, Lorenzo Morales, Becky Albitz-Evans, Kerri White, Justin Jacobs, Maren Soetaert, James Hammond; Back: Brendon Jonsson, Pamela Hghes, Jasmine McNeill, John Cruz, Dana Essick, Joey Tamburo, Eman Al-Aswadi, Mic Godfrey, Jaye Howell





Rugby Team—Kendal Green, Taurus Moore, Mike Miller, Trey McPhaul, Marcus Tuft, Kevin Abourisk



Mixed Martial Arts Club—Front: Gabriel Cadranno, Rachel Johnson, Samantha Brown, Robert Lagton II; Back: Frankie Dennis, James Bunn, Javon Jones, Clifton Davis



Beverly Justice, other Athletic Training advisors, and Co-Vice President Mic Godfrey join other organizations during the walk at the Spring 2009 Relay for Life.

Colleen Masasu, Angelica Blount, and Brianna Brown of Avant Garde practice for an upcoming show.





AFROTC—Brian Murray, Andreas Duvall, Ashley Smith, Kenneth Gilbert, Nicholas Abbate, Sean Parker, Jaleesa Pittman, Suzanne Sparks, Tamikka Portee, Andreas Henriquez, Dominique Morrissey, Jason Grimes, Jerry Saunders, Kristopher Meacham, Cordell Crawford, Kenneth Jenkins, Sherwin Slaughter, Angela Walker, Keith Bacon, Brittany Milliken, Jonathan Santana, Daniel Langston, Stephen Saam



Criminal Justice students practice their legal skills by acting as attorneys during a mock trial.



Army ROTC—MS I Carnadosse Bauknight, Daniel Garten, Justin Gregory, Justin Hammonds, Antonino Laberdee, Jessica McCain, Carmella Nucci, Alejandro Plocuda, Jocavette Rae-Cruz, Joshua Strickland, MS II Desiree Arena, Brian Hauser, Joshua Hickman, Samuel Locklear, Justin Obeda, William Oxenne, Kevin Sabi, MS III Kazia Bell, Julieann Carsen, Robert Cursio, Robert Livengood, Stephen Lubeck, Marcus Mays, Michael Rowland, Bernice Stratton, Marquita Thompson, Matthew Vick, MS IV Andrew Blakeslee-Drain, Mina Davis, Justin Holt, Aaron Jernigan, Mason Kalkstein, Miranda Notesune, Kelly Reyes, Cadre MSG Clinton Hill, CPT Warren Withrow, MRS Tori Nicolosi

Air Force ROTC members represent their organization at Pembroke Day.



The Air Force ROTC was a program for students who strived to become officers in the US Air Force. AFROTC members participated in Pembroke Day and multiple Open Houses during the year. They served as color guards at churches, sporting events, and other community events. According to member Brittany Milliken, the Air Force ROTC enjoyed celebrating the birthday of the Air Force on September 18.

The Army ROTC had a change of command when Master Sergeant John Torre, who was the face of the program for 15 years, stepped down in August 2009; he was replaced by Captain Warren Winthrow. MSG Torre left behind a strong program with 70 students enrolled for 2009-10. "We only had two students in the program when I got here in 1994," he said. "The program grew because of its good relations with

Members of the Air Force ROTC train with the ever-popular push-ups during a morning session of Physical Training.

the campus and the town, which always honored us." The AROTC held field training throughout the year and had physical training every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday morning. Members had the option to attend skilled schools during the summer. Incoming cadets could attend a Leadership Training course, and seniors could attend Warrior Forge or LDAC. A military ball was held in the spring, and AROTC did community service throughout the year, including providing color guards for community events.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha was led by President Britney Abernethy and Vice-President Amanda Roberge; Elaine Gibson served secretary, and Antwan McNeil served as parliamentarian. The Education Director was Kari Healey, and Khandy Pangburn served as treasurer. This was their first year on campus; they held a chartering ceremony on October 10, held coat drives in November through December, participated in Relay for Life and Hope for Heroes, and supported the March of Dimes and St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

The Criminal Justice Club has been active on campus for many years. Their membership this year increased. The members learned how to serve their community and fellow students through service projects and other activities. This club helped prepare students for the world past academics.



Criminal Justice Club—Members get together for a meeting in Sampson Hall.



Epsilon Sigma Alpha—Front: Ashley Peoples, Katie Frabott, Antwan McNeill, Evan Barker; Back: Kari Healey, Britney Abernethy, Isaiah McLamb, Khandy Pangburn

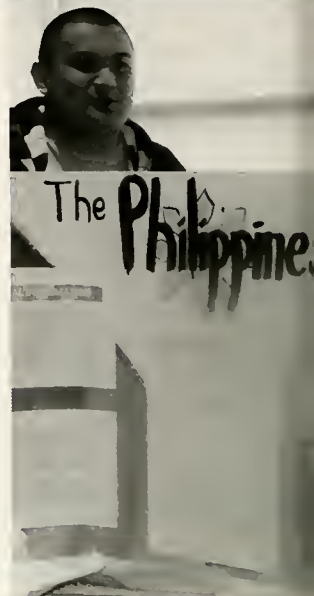
Diversity

Our Campus Is Where

The NAACP was led by Avon Banks as president, Anne Volel as treasurer, and Michelle Darby as secretary. Their mission is "to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and radical discrimination." The organization participated in several volunteer and community events this academic year, including roadside clean up, the Odum Home Thanksgiving dinner, Superwomen Dilemma (women's empowerment), Hearts for Haiti, Prometheus Poetry Night, and the African American Literacy Program, among others.

The International Students Organization (ISO) was led this year by Qi Liu (Larry), Xin Tong, Kang Chang, and Migyue Wy. On October 2, they participated in the 2009 Moon Festival Celebration in the UC Annex. Similar to Thanksgiving in America, the Moon Festival is a day of families getting together in Asian countries. The members of ISO gave many performances that were related to Asian cultures. For example, international students acted out a play about the legend of the Moon Festival. There was a lot of delicious food for the audience to enjoy, and they also had the opportunity to learn how to write their names in different languages. They also participated in the A&I (American and international) bridge program, which is created to connect American students and international students. One of the most unique activities on campus was Asia Day, which occurred on November 18 in the UC Annex, in which a lot of the ISO members participated. On November 17, ISO presented Game Night, giving international students a chance to introduce their favorite games and learn the differences between different cultures.

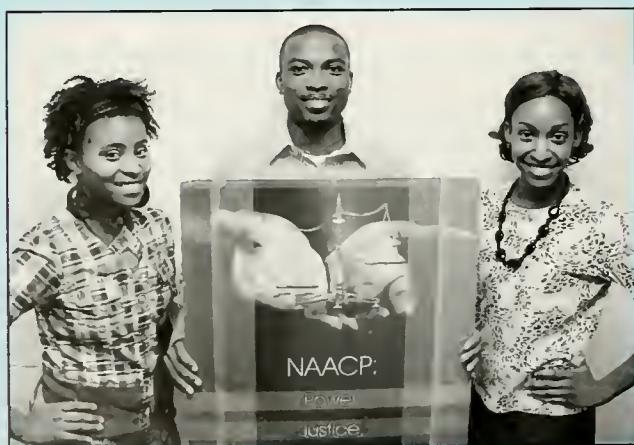
The Native American Student Organization (NASO) was led by President Mardella Sunshine Costanzo and Vice President Stephanie Hammonds. They sponsored the Fall Pow Wow and the Spring Unity Pow Wow. They participated in community service with the Boys and Girls Club of the Lumbee tribe in Pembroke. NASO works to bring cultural education to the campus for all students and to enhance the American Indian cultural heritage at UNCP. NASO is always welcoming anyone who wishes to join.



Members of ISO represent the Philippines during Asia Day in the Fall 2009 semester.



African Student Organization—Jeremy Macklin, Andrew Young, Olivia Johnson, Antenh Kibret, Ian Davis



NAACP—Anne Volel, Avon Banks, Michelle Darby





Native American Student Organization—Front: Josh Torres, Becky Goins (Advisor), Megan Patrick, Sheena Dial-Seymour, Tori Bell, Mardella Sunshine Costanzo, Cassandra Locklear, Elicia Delligener; Middle: Heather Jones, Michelle Hammonds, Katy Locklear, Kayla Lowery, Heather Blue, Marsha Earles; Back: Keno Lowery, Doug Taylor, Caleb Locklear



International Student Organization—Kang Chang, Qi Liu, Doc Dillard, Xin Long, Jesper Jansen, Sangwoong Joen, William Chen, Yujin Lee, Zouliang Kang, Boreum Kim



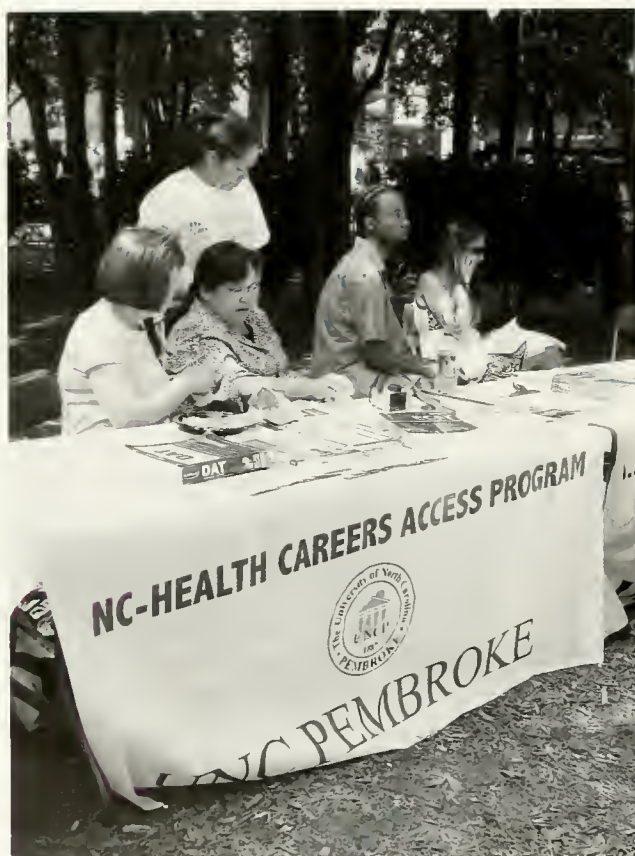
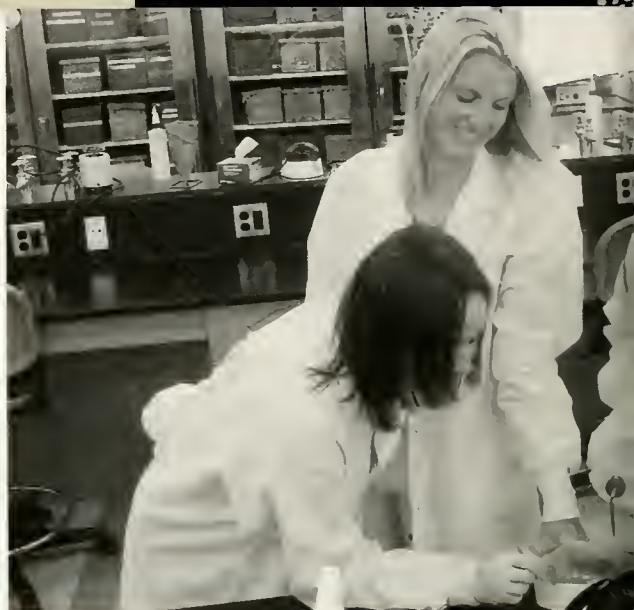
Andrew Young leads a meeting with the members of the African Student Organization to discuss upcoming events during the Fall 2009 semester.

Mardella Constanzo and other dancers embrace their American Indian heritage at the Annual Fall NASO Pow Wow.





Tri Beta—Front: Dr. Maria Pereira, Elizabeth Workman, Ginny Holland, Citara Daniel; Second: Ryan Maynor, Amanda Simmons, Melissa Chavis, Camella Tucker; Back: Randy Baxley, Andrea Laza, Ara Queen, Dr. Dennis McCracken



Members of the Health Careers Club represent their organization at Pembroke Day.

Daisy Irra, a member of the Chemistry Club, is selling wooden roses in the UC for a Valentine's Day fundraiser.



Chemistry and Physics Club—Front: Laura Yoder, Brenda Hunt, Shana Williams, Ann Queen; Second: Tangelo McCrae, Dr. Rachel Smith, Melissa Bagley; Third: Erin Hunt, Samantha Hutcheson, Nakisha Hill, Mohammed Abdelaziz, Nathasha Bacon, Janki Patel; Back: Brandon Oxendine, Dr. Brian Pastek, Trey Cucher, Nick Faulkner, Lauren Marshall, Sierra Edwards, Davita Brockington



In Health and Science,

Excellence

Is Required for Success

Beta Beta Beta, the biology honor society also known as Tri Beta, was led by Andrea Laza as president, Melissa Chavis as vice president, and Anna Queen and Amanda Simmons as secretaries. Their biggest event was the banquet to induct new members. This year they sent a student to the national research banquet for the southeastern region to present her research. The organization grew plants in the greenhouse and sold them to students and staff members as a fundraiser.

The Chemistry and Physics Club was led by Nick Faulkner, who served as the president for 2009-2010; he was assisted by Anna Queen, who served as vice president.

Nursing students spend many hours in the lab as well as in clinical training at Southeastern Regional Medical Center.

Nakisha Hill served as treasurer, Natasha Bacon was the secretary, and Eric Leviner served as the public relations person for the 2009-2010 academic year. The Chemistry and Physics club participated in "Teaching Kids" as their community service, and they also attended the Regional Science Fair.

The Health Careers Club promotes awareness and interest in all areas of the health professions. The members also concentrate on promoting campus and community service projects. This year they participated in the Involvement Fair and Pembroke Day. The organization was led by Eric Leviner as president. Randy Baxley and Erin Hunt served as co-vice-presidents. Melissa Chavis served as treasurer, and Melissa Gonzales served as secretary for the academic year.

The Association of Nursing Students is designed for nursing students to come together and promote the career of nursing in the community. They were led this year by President Roberta Giles and Vice President Jessica Trost. Among their activities was the 2009 Angel Tree this Christmas. The other officers for 2009-2010 were Stacie Fowler, who served as secretary, with David Trinidad and Pam Quizon serving as co-treasurers. The Junior Executive Board member was Robert Scott. The Senior Executive Board member was Charlotte Holland.

Health Careers Club—Ismael Abdelaziz, Musheerah Ali, David Amadi, Melissa Bagley, Randy Baxley, Megan Britt, Davita Brockington, Christian Buffkin, Sandra Buffkin, Jarrod Bullard, Courtney Bumpers, Melissa Chavis, Marrah Cole, Chelsea Collier, Cynthia Correa, Elicia Dellinger, Erin Downer, Terry Durham, Melissa Gonzalez, Carlotta Hagans, Samantha Hammonds, Genny Holland, Sean Holland, Richard Hopper, Erin Hunt, Kijhanique Hunt, Rihjanique Hunt, Kate Jimison, Advisor Sylvia T. Johnson, Justin Jones, Kelly Jones, Melody Kirkpatrick, Melanie Kiser, Eric Leviner, Aaron Locklear, Jean Locklear, Melinda Locklear, Victoria Locklear, Leslie Lovette, Keno Lowery, Lauren Marshall, Keren Martin, Brittney Nelson, Brandon Oxendine, Chassidy Ramirez, Jessica Stancil, Daisy Torra, Carmella Tucker, Atiya Vickerman, Melissa Whitt, Anquisha Winston



Nursing Student Association—Charlotte Holland, Roberta Giles, Stacie Fowler, Pam Quizon

Involved

and Helping Others

Students Enjoy Staying

The Student Ambassadors is an honorary student organization sponsored by the Office of Admissions. The Ambassadors serve as liaisons between the student body and UNCP's guests, prospective students, and alumni. They provide tours for prospective students and their families, serve as hosts and guides during open house events, and promote the academic and student services of UNCP. Special events this year included Alumni Relations receptions, dinner with the UNCP Board of Trustees, participating in student panels during open houses, decorating the Christmas Tree with Chancellor Jenkins, and leading special tours for the office of the chancellor.

Resident Assistants are students who live in the dorms and apartments on campus. These students serve as mentors and mediators for the other students. Each RA was required to host multiple educational events throughout the year. These events provided information on building healthy relationships and sexual responsibility as well as drug and alcohol awareness.

The University Marshals are a select group of students who help out at the Givens Performing Arts Center during their shows. A student must have a 2.5 GPA to serve as a University Marshal. This academic year the University Marshals were led by Co-Chief Marshals Raisa Jones and Tiffany Schmidt. They took tickets, gave out programs, and took patrons to their seats for shows from the Broadway and More Series and Nostalgia Concert Series, including the Virsky National Ukrainian Dance Company, *Avenue Q*, *The Wedding Singer*, the Russian National Ballet Theatre's *Cinderella*, Chubby Checker & The Wildcats, The Stylistics, and Davy Jones.

The National Council of Negro Women, known as the NCNW, was led by President Evelyn Jemison-Coleman and Vice Presidents Tomika Brooks and Carine Francois. Jessica Thomas served as secretary and Kajarra Caldwell served as treasurer. The NCNW sponsored many events on campus throughout the academic year. They participated in the Block Walk for Cancer with the Sisters Network in October. NCNW also sponsored a clothing drive for Haiti.

Members of NCNW hold their organization's banner as they participate in the 2009 campus-wide Harmony Walk.



Resident Advisors—Deanna Barwick, Marcus Brown, William Cantrell, Bobby Cash, Philip Cole, Oomanque Cole, Corry Durham, Dewone, Gaillard, Lindsay Green, Jennelle Crier, LaShandra Holder, Aaron Hollifield, Adam Hughes, Gerald Hughes, Kijhanique Hunt, Rihhanique Hunt, Cassandra Krotz, Joshua Matthews, Marcus Mays, Emanuel McIntyre Jr., Elizabeth Menzel, Brittany Milliken, Ashley Mitchell, Emily Myers, Kimberly Nguyen, Jimmy Park, Raymond Pearson, Clint Pugh, Matthew Quales, Patricia Riddle, Jocelynn Roach, Sharron Roberts, Jessica Sander, Michael Smith, Kareem Strong, Anthony Taylor, Ashley Thomas, Cherelle Venable, Jovita Vereen, Michael Walker, L. Wasson, Alexandria Watson, Danny Williams Jr., Ed Wittenberg, Brittany York



Student Ambassadors—Front: Aaronius McKoy, Shanez McDaniel, Amy Creamer; Back: Nick Phillips, Sarah Lineberger, Anitra Williams, LaNita Hill





NCNW—Front: Carine Francois, Evelyn Jemison-Coleman, Jessica Thomas, Tomika Brooks; Back: Gwen Lee, Marshica Watson, Francina Abengowe, Nana Bentsi-Enchill, Musheerah Ali



University Marshals—Front: Sarah Lineberger, Rodney McRae, Yanissa Pérez de León, Grant Merritt; Back: Tiffany Schmidt, John Lerma, Glenn Goldbaugh, Sean Jaenicke



These students are excited about a bingo game hosted by the Housing and Residence Life during the Spring of 2010.

University Marshal Sarah Lineberger smiles as she takes tickets for the 2010 Miss UNCP Scholarship Pageant.





Voices of Serenity—Front: Arthur Gilliam, Justin Webber, Gaven M. Mayo, Kuristan Monroe, Mohogany Woods, Fadra McMillan, E'laina Guy, Jordan Lowery; Back: Trenton Locklear, Dewone Gaillard, Chanteé Harris, Jasmine Robinson, Leigh Montague, Omar Robinson, Joshua Matthews



Cristina Cameron, a member of the Lifted Dance Team, practices in Oak Hall Lounge for an upcoming performance.

Allison Betot and Jamel Lee discuss the killing of Matthew Shepard in The Laramie Project, the University Players' Fall 2009 production.



Lifted Dance Team—Ashley Daniel, Basia Collins, Desiree Manello, Talia Sanders, Christina Latimore, Christina Cameron



Whether Musical or Financial,

Numbers

Bring Students Together

Voices of Serenity Gospel Choir is an assembly of students who possess the capacity and talent to minister God's word and the Gospel of Jesus Christ through song. The choir was led this year by Joshua Matthews as president, Preston Siler as vice president, Kuristen Monroe as secretary, and Fadra McMillan as treasurer. They sponsored and participated in a Fall Concert in 2009 and a Spring Concert in 2010.

The Lifted Dance Team was a group from Resurrection Church that met on campus each Thursday to practice. They performed at church events, where they danced to give praise to God. They served as an encouragement not only to their church family but also to the community.

Joshua Matthews, the President of Voices of Serenity Gospel Choir, leads the singers during a practice before their 2010 Spring Concert.

The Accounting Student Association met once a month during the Activity Period. This year, the association had guest speakers and took trips to the Budget Office in Washington, DC, and to Raleigh. They also had canned food drives around Thanksgiving and Christmas for families in need. The Accounting Student Association also had a mentor program for UNCP students in Accounting classes. This organization is open to all UNCP students; their motto is, "Accounting is the language of business."

The University Players is a group of students that support the University Theatre. It is open to any student in the University, but to have a voting membership and office eligibility, a student must have participated in some way in two of the University Theatre's productions. The University Players perform in three productions each year. Their Fall 2009 production of *The Laramie Project* was staged as theater-in-the-round, with audience members seated on the stage of the GPAC surrounding the performing space. This fact-based exploration of the murder of Matthew Shepard was followed in February by a performance of *Steel Magnolias*. In April, the University Players worked with the Musical Theatre program to stage the popular 1950s musical *Guys and Dolls*.



Accounting Student Association—Front: Kazia Bell, Samantha Dunn, Eunah Kim-Therrell, Marissa Santiago, Raquel Swanson; Back: Richard Hart, Stacy Hand, Katie Daniel, Dr. Stephen Bukowy, Preston Johnson, Justin Obeda



University Players—Front: Annette Glenn, Amy Cox, Jamel Lee, Lenair Koontz, Yanissa Pérez de León; Back: David Underwood (Advisor), Elisha Lawson, Tophér McLean

Encourage

One Another

Students Believe in and

The Baptist Student Union (BSU), which met every Tuesday evening at the BSU House, was led this year by Aaron Hollifield, Mike Smith, Jonathon Hilson, Joy Fiel-lo, and Jessica Knapton; the campus minister, Ron Sanders; and the assistant campus minister, Sara Anastasio. They sponsored socials on some Thursday nights, such as pancake dinners, movie nights, and game times; they also sponsored local missions on Saturday mornings as an outreach, as well as the popular Commuter Lunch every other Wednesday. Tuesday Night Church (TNC) was also a time when the BSU got together to enjoy Christian fellowship while participating in games, skits, and snacks. The BSU continued to focus on their love for Christ through praise and worship. They had several fundraisers, concerts, and worship nights. They also participated in Relay for Life and the Martin Luther King Day of Service.

Campus Crusade for Christ, a Christian ministry, participated in Bible studies; they also had many outreach opportunities all over the UNCP campus. Once a month, CC4C sponsored a worship night in Moore Hall; they were also supporters of Relay for Life, as well as Pembroke Day. They took a relaxing retreat in the fall as well as a trip to New York every spring. Campus Crusade for Christ's mission statement is "Spreading the truth, renewing minds, and building lives through the love of Christ."

The Love and Joy Campus Life Ministry met at Bert's every Wednesday. LJCLM was a new organization on campus and hoped to enlarge their ministry while spreading the word of Christ. They hosted the Hallelujah Night and the Yes Life Group. They also participated in Pembroke Day and Pembroke Faith.

The Disabled Student Organization was founded in 2002 to advocate for people on campus with all kinds of disabilities, educate others on campus about people with disabilities, and advocate for people with disabilities in the surrounding communities. The DSO hosted different activities throughout the year that helped UNCP students as well as the community. DSO also participated in Relay for Life.

Christian Marsh and other Campus Crusade for Christ members get an overview of New York City during their Spring Break mission trip.



Campus Crusade for Christ—Chris Anderson, William L. Atkinson, Garian Aycoth, Sarah Beal, Carol Choi, Michelle Darby, Brittany Dawson, Dominic Dunn, James Ellison, Miguel Ferrer, Gerardo Gallegos, CHendrix, Rachel Johnson, Tay Jones, Jeremy King, Ivy Koenig, Kurt Kresal, Anastasia Lanaro, Jaquela Layon, Christian Marsh, Doris Martha, Felipe Orrego, Nick Pender, Jenny Powers, Brittany Ray, Justin Rodge, Miguel Starkey, Vincent Stephens, Robbie Taylor, Stephanie Tillman, Tito Vicente, Anne Volel



BSU—Sara Anastasio, Amber Baldwin, Madeline Barnes, Nicky Barnes, Jessica Blackburn, Melissa Bowman, Charnice Bridges, Nick Brooks, Tony Bryan, Chris Bullock, Bobby Cash, Kristen Chason, Ethan Chava, Phillip Cheek, Ashley Church, Noah Clark, Melanie Cockerton, Jon Dal, Karlynn Doherty, Eva Donus, Neil Everett, Camille Fichou, Alacorn Joy Fields, Boyce Friday, Andy Gibson, Elizabeth Gomez, Danielle Griffith, Jessica Harris, Jonathan Hartley, Clint Hendrix, Shondra Hester, Lindsay Hixie, Aaron Hollifield, Tevin Horne, Dalton Jacob, Katie Jensen, Brenden Johnson, Brinkley Jordan, Matthew Kirby, Emily Kiser, Jessica Knapton, Trish Knight, Branch Larson, Andrew Love, Jaquela Lynta, Caroline Mann, Lucy Marshman, Sharonne Marques, Heather McDonald, Jordan McGurt, Kayla Miller, Katelyn Mueson, Joshua Moser, Matthew Murdoch, Steven Nicoletti, Marissa Ponder, Jimmy Pyllars, Jacklyn Ray, Justin Rodgers, Mary Roth, Kara Rowe, Matthew Sallee, Lauren Sanders, Ron Sanders, Tom Sandridge, Jeremy Seacosta, Abby Shipley, Will Sipe, Mike Smith, Daniela Spoliva, Jarrett Stephens, Jesse Strupka, Chyanne Sweet, Jerry Sweet, Madeline Sykes, Thomas Tancard, Robbie Taylor, Jessica Thomas, Katie Thompson, David Traver, Mitch Watson, Alexander Weber, Amanda Webster, Laura Wetherington, Alessia Wilkinson, Ashlie Wilkinson, Marianne Wood, Rachel Young





Disabled Student Organization—Front: Ashton Young, Daria Bannerman; Back: Nicolette Campos, Jessica Mullins



Love and Joy Campus Life Ministry—Front: Sylvia M. Mack, Francina Abengowe, Courtney Hamilton; Back: Beaulah Chanakira, Kimberly Moseley, Teresa Nzegge, Jacqueline Little



Members of the BSU hold 2009 Miss UNCP Katy Locklear in their jail for bail during Pembroke Day.

Jessica Smith, Daria Bannerman, and Samantha Garrison of DSO represent India during the 2009 Relay for Life.





The Aurochs—Craig Wilson, Brittany Raines, Mack Carter, Dr. Karen Helgeson, Will Wade, Yanissa Pérez de León, Christopher Welch



News Editor Hayley Burgess and Sports Editor Matt Smith review the latest edition of The Pine Needle.

Editor-in-Chief Tiffany Schmidt helps photographers Jennifer Kleine-Jaeger and Octavia Hill review their shots for possible inclusion in the Indianhead.



Indianhead—Front: Sara Oswald (Advisor), Janna Williams, Jamie VanLer, Chelsi Blanchard; Middle: Brittany Hardin, Paella Pani, Tiffany Schmidt (Editor-in-Chief); Back: Kayloni Wyatt, Carolina Choi, Danielle Powers, Chantel Moore, Grant Merritt, Michele Johnson





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The *Aurochs* is UNCP's annual literary magazine. It provides an opportunity for students to share their works of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, art, and photographs with the rest of the campus. The staff was led by Editor Craig Wilson and Managing Editor Yanissa Pérez de León and advised by Dr. Karen Helgeson.

The *Indianhead* yearbook was led by Editor-in-Chief Tiffany Schmidt, who was completing her third year on the staff. She was assisted by three other three-year veterans: Academics Editor Danielle Powers, Organizations Editor Paela Pani, and Photography Editor Carolina Choi. Sophomore Chantel Moore edited the People section, and sophomore transfer Pascale Locklear stepped in as Student Life Editor in the spring. The production and photography staffs also worked hard to produce the book, hoping to emulate the level of excellence achieved by the 2009 *Indianhead*, which received a

Anchormen Ed Ricker, Danté Durant, and Joshua Posey are serious about the news and getting information out to the UNC Pembroke community.

First Place with Special Merit award from the American Scholastic Press Association. This was the 65th year of publication and Sara Oswald's twenty-second year as the *Indianhead's* faculty advisor.

The *Pine Needle* is the bi-weekly student-published newspaper that was founded in 1947. This year the publication was led by Editor Wade Allen and Managing Editor Kayloni Wyatt. There were 49 students on the staff in Fall 2009, the largest in the history of the publication. The staff hoped to maintain the same high standards that led to a First Place award for the newspaper from the American Scholastic Press Association in April 2009. The *Pine Needle* was advised by Dr. Judy Curtis.

Carolina News Today is a student-produced news show that covers the campus community, Pembroke, Lumberton, Red Springs, and the Carolina Border region. At the helm this year were Producer Samantha Kinder, Associate Producers Anthony Maerten and Ed Ricker, and Director Carlos Peralta; the faculty advisor was Dr. Jamie Litty.

The newest addition to student media at UNCP, The Hawk Radio, began its second year of programming in Fall 2009. Students host a variety of radio shows that run throughout the week and stream online. The Hawk was run by Program Director Kiara Garrett and advised by Dr. Jamie Litty.



Pine Needle—Front: Jared Le Blanc, Kayla Pearson, Kayloni Wyatt, Jon Baez, Wade Allen; Second Row: Matt Smith, Hayley Burgess, Lucy Marshman, Ashley Williams, Kaleb Myers, Jody Kirkpatrick, Khian Merward; Third Row: Grant Merritt, Brittany Burt, Danyce Hill, Ulyse Preston, Marlo Fulmore, Kimberly Brooks, Dr. Judy Curtis; Back Row: Dr. Anthony Cur-Nick Phillips, Will Wade, DJ McCray, Dustin Porter, Teneka Striblin, John Johnson, Glenn dbough



Hawk Radio—Front: Shanna Anderson, Jacquie Banks, Kiara Garrett, Kayloni Wyatt, Michele son, Jamie Bell, Robert Quintero; Back: Spenser Wakefield, Jack Simpson, Dominique Thompson, Canada, Chris Kennedy, Alexander Williams, Falasia West, Cedric Harrison, Christopher Saw-Brandon Thomas, Krishana Santiago, Artimus Hinnant, Jaquala Lynes, Ulyesse Preston



Carolina News Today—Front: Spenser Wakefield, Jordan Sawyers, Jeremy McLain, Trey McPhaul; Middle: George Johnson, Jordan Pittman, Ed Ricker, Danté Durant, Joshua Posey, Samantha Kinder; Back: Michele Johnson, Stephanie Spencer, Catie Andrus, Jacqueline Banks, Alaina Bowden, Erica Murray, Anthony Maerten, Carlos Peralta, Tiffany A. Taylor, Yanissa Pérez de León, Elisha Lawson

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Step Up

This year all the Braves sports have stepped up their games. Both our men and women athletes have proved that Pembroke is a force to be reckoned with. The UNCP football team was only in its third season after returning in 2007, but they were already nationally ranked. The team ended its regular season ranked 11th and earned a spot in the NCAA Division II playoffs for the first time in the school's history, proving to everyone that Pembroke can do it.

Football was not the only sport that has been showing how great Pembroke is. The women's basketball, volleyball, tennis, golf, soccer, cross country, track and field, and softball teams, as well as the men's basketball, golf, baseball, wrestling, cross country, track and field, and soccer teams, were all practicing and fighting hard to win. The coaches as well as the players knew what it took to win and strived to accomplish that goal.

Third baseman Jelena Shaw bats at one of the Braves softball games. Shaw, a native of Hope Mills, NC, was named to the 2009 Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division II All-Region Teams for the second consecutive year. Shaw batted .381 with a fielding percentage of .938 at the hot corner.





Kicker Zach Rowell gets ready to kick the football during a game. Football has generated a great deal of interest and fan support since it returned to campus only three years ago. Crowds of students, faculty, staff, and community members filled the Irwin Belk Athletic Center to capacity during home games this season.

Taylor Ferguson lines up his putt during a golf tournament. Golfstat/NCAA Division II Head-to-Head standings released in September 2009 showed UNCP men's golf team ranked sixth in the nation and one of two Peach Belt Conference teams ranked in the top 10.

Sports

2009 Baseball		
UNCF		Opp.
13	St. Andrews	3
18	St. Andrews	3
7	Anderson	2
4	Anderson	2
4	Anderson	5
9	Pfeiffer	13
17	Millersville	7
13	Millersville	1
5	Millersville	2
14	Millersville	2
4	Barton	1
6	Francis Marion	6
5	Francis Marion	8
10	Francis Marion	7
14	Wingate	6
5	Post	4
12	Post	5
18	Clarion	0
8	Clarion	2
5	Angusta State	3
2	Angusta State	7
5	Angusta State	8
4	Barton	11
14	St. Andrews	2
6	Columbus State	3
3	Columbus State	4
15	Wingate	6
6	Coker	2
7	North Georgia	5
1	North Georgia	2
4	North Georgia	13
8	Coker	4
3	Armstrong Atlantic	4
5	Armstrong Atlantic	8
6	Armstrong Atlantic	10
11	Lenoir-Rhyne	7
7	GA Southwestern	4
7	GA Southwestern	4
6	GA Southwestern	1
9	Chowan	3
11	Chowan	10
4	Lander	0
11	Lander	0
11	Lander	5
6	St. Andrews	2
10	Catawba	7
5	Georgia College	3
7	Georgia College	8
16	Georgia College	4
17	USC Aiken	3
7	USC Aiken	22
4	USC Aiken	18
15	Georgia College	6
9	Francis Marion	12

NOTE: A 2009 baseball team photo was not available when the yearbook went to press.



Seth Kivett reaches high in an attempt to catch the ball and tag the base runner out. The first baseman's fielding skills earned him a spot on the NCAA Division II Southeast Region Gold Glove squad.



New Records

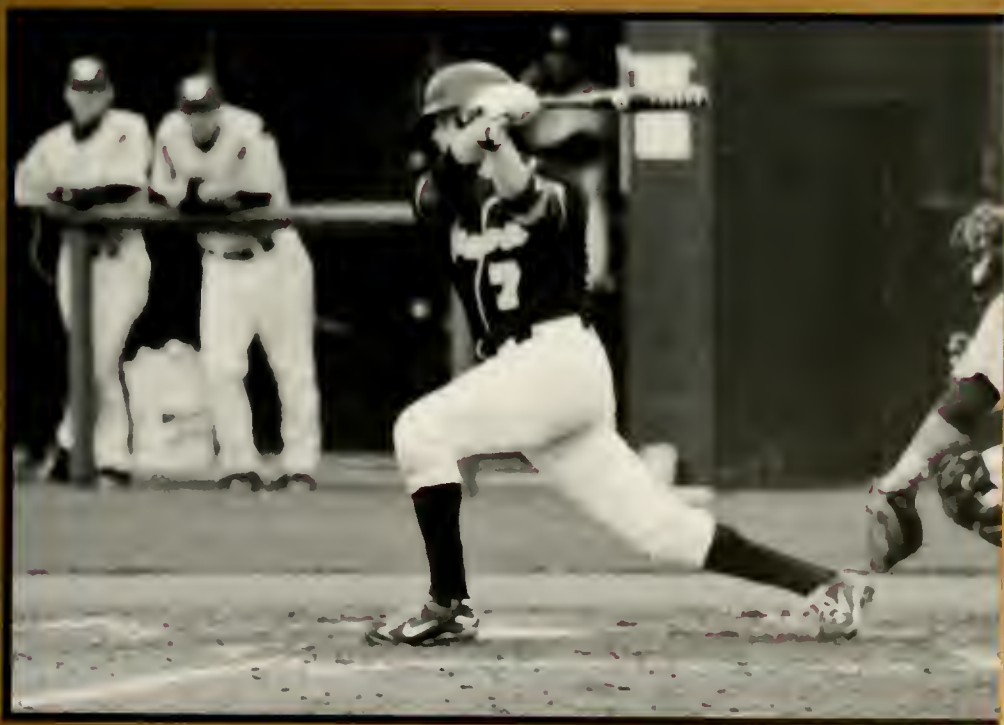


After turning in a stellar campaign in 2009, the baseball team secured a spot in the final ranking by Collegiate Baseball Newspaper, finishing in the No. 50 spot. UNCP advanced to the Peach Belt Conference Tournament for the first time in 15 years, while also narrowly missing a berth into the NCAA postseason. The Braves broke nine school records during the season, including registering a program-best 57 victories on the strength of a team-high .527 batting average and 70 home runs. Their 57-17 (.685) record was the team's best win-loss tally since the 1975 club finished at 28-10 (.750). Senior Kevin Dietrich established new team marks for hits (92) and total bases, while also joining teammate Seth Kivett in posting a school record 16 home runs. Righthander Matt McGovern (9-0) matched former Brave Ray Nixon's 55-year-old mark for winning percentage by a pitcher (.600) as well.

Dietrich and McGovern, who won all-American accolades from Rawlings in conjunction with the American Baseball Coaches Association, closed out a plethora of postseason awards for the UNCP baseball team when they were named honorable mention all-Americans by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA). The laurels marked the second and third time a UNCP player has earned all America awards from both the American Baseball Coaches Association and the NCBWA as the duo joined former teammate Jason Morales as the only Braves to accomplish the feat. Earlier, Dietrich and teammates Seth Kivett and Tom Porricelli were selected to the 2009 Rawlings Southeast Region Gold Glove squad, the first such honors in the history of the Braves baseball program. Porricelli, Ryan Kirkman, and Keith Whitman were also named to the Peach Belt Conference All-Academic Baseball Team. UNCP said farewell to four seniors—Dietrich,

Kyle Mastroianni gets ready to bunt the ball; he maintained a .500 for the season.

Edmund Locklear, Jonathan Rivera, and Ryan Kirkman—at the end of the 2009 season but was expected to remain strong in 2010.



Aaron Parnell winds up for a pitch during a Braves home game.

Senior Kevin Dietrich goes to bat for the Braves. Dietrich set new team records for hits and total bases in 2009 and received all-American honors.

Catcher Randi Pruitt gets ready to throw the ball back to the pitcher.



Jelena Shaw gets ready to catch a ball at third base. Shaw's performance this season earned her a spot on the Division II All-Region softball team for the second straight year.



Hardball

The Lady Braves played hard but experienced many setbacks during the 2009 softball season, finishing 18-50, with a 7-11 record in the Peach Belt Conference. After struggling in February, UNCP won one of two games against PBC rivals Georgia Southwestern on March 5, followed by a run of six straight wins, including two against Columbus State, another PBC foe. The rest of the season brought more setbacks, but the Lady Braves captured both games of a doubleheader against Lander late in the season. In the first game of the PBC softball tournament on April 17, UNCP and Georgia Southwestern battled for over three hours before the Hurricanes scored two runs in the top of the 12th inning to defeat the Braves, 2-0. Later that day, in their second game of the tournament, the Braves fell to Armstrong Atlantic, 12-4, to end the season.

Center fielder Morgan Patrick was named to the PBC's 2009 All-Conference Team and to the NC Collegiate Sports Information Association College Division All-State Softball Team. Third baseman Jelena Shaw was named to the 2009 Louisville Slugger National Fastpitch Coaches Association Division II All-Region Team for the second consecutive year. Shaw, a native of Hope Mills, had earned third team Louisville Slugger NCAA Division II All-America honors last season. She has also been named to the All-Peach Belt Conference First Team three years in a row.



Pitcher Whitney Landvermeyer follows through after releasing the ball

This player strategically bunts the ball before running to first base



2009 Softball Loren Bartz, Jamie Burwell, Kelli Carr, Carissa Dancer, Martika Elmore, Candace Evans, Paige Faircloth, Lynn Grantham, Ashley Harrell, Courtney Hill, Samantha King, Whitney Landvermeyer, Brittany Marsh, Lauren Marshall, Caroline Newman, Kelly Niccum, Morgan Patrick, Randi Pruitt, Amanda Santos, Jelena Shaw

2009 Softball		
UNCP		Opp.
1	Nova Southeastern	9
3	Lynn	4
0	Barry	1
0	Palm Beach Atlantic	1
1	Barry	2
1	Lynn	4
14	Fayetteville State	0
11	Fayetteville State	3
15	UNC Aiken	4
0	UNC Aiken	5
2	Wingate	8
1	Wingate	9
5	Queens	2
3	Queens	4
7	St. Andrews	3
1	St. Andrews	3
1	St. Thomas	3
10	St. Thomas	0
10	Georgia Southwestern	6
4	Georgia Southwestern	5
3	Columbus State	2
1	Columbus State	0
9	St. Thomas	6
6	Edinboro	3
5	Mansfield	3
3	Tusculum	1
0	Lenoir-Rhyne	6
1	Coker	3
5	Francis Marion	2
7	Francis Marion	13
1	Augusta State	9
1	Augusta State	5
1	Mount Olive	3
5	Mount Olive	3
0	Georgia College	5
0	Georgia College	9
1	Limestone	4
1	Limestone	4
3	Chowan	5
9	Chowan	2
8	North Georgia	11
3	North Georgia	5
8	Lander	4
6	Lander	4
0	Armstrong Atlantic	13
3	Armstrong Atlantic	6
0	Georgia Southwestern	2
4	Armstrong Atlantic	12

Jessica McDowell sprints her way through the 100m hurdles. After breaking Anquonette Stiles's school record of 16.46s, which had stood since 2001, at the SSI Eye Opener, she reduced her time to 15.16s at the Liberty Track and Field Classic.

Savion Ashford floats in the air as he competes in the long jump.

2009 Track and Field

February

Vince Brown Invitational
UNC Dick Taylor Carolina Inv.
UNC Gamecock Invitational
Savannah State Eye Opener

March

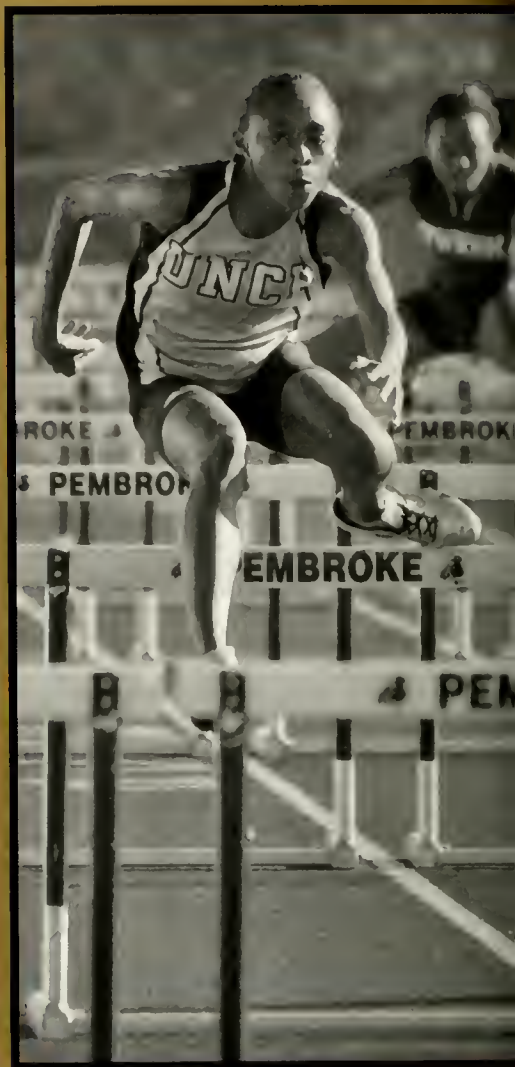
Braves Track and Field Classic
Coastal Carolina Shamrock Inv
Emory Aztec Classic

April

Liberty Collegiate Invitational
Lynchburg Classic
NC A&T Friendship & Freedom Games
NCAA Southeast Regionals

May

Duke Twilight
UNC Invitational
Clemson Orange & Purple Classic
NCAA II National Championships



2009 Men's Track and Field—Jamel Allison, Brandon Ashcraft, Savion Ashford, Justin Avery, Mark Barber Jr., Pat Bowles, Jo Burgess, Greg Byrd, Al Davis Jr., Brandon Laddy, Maurice Lubanks, Justin Gordon, Cedric Holt II, Corey Howard, Dillon James Johnson, Carlos Jordan, David Lynn, Caleb Mersha, Chris Midgette, Mike Mitchell, Darryl Mott, Sesh Parker, Terrell Partlow, Charles P. Xavier Robinson, Jernel Sanders, Bruce Strickland, Seth West, Jon Wing, Christian Wiscovitch

To the Top

The Braves turned in strong performances, including many top-10 finishes, throughout the 2009 men's track and field season. At the Braves Track and Field Classic, freshman Jamel Allison won four individual events—long jump, high jump, triple jump, and javelin. Karlos Jordan won the 200m dash and helped lead the 4x100m relay in a 1-2 finish. Maurice Eubanks won the 400m dash, Mike Mitchell and Mark Barber Jr. traded wins in the 400m and 110m hurdles, and David Lynn won the hammer throw. In April, UNCP won the men's team competition at the 2009 NCAA Southeast Regional Championships. Jamel Allison took the titles in the javelin and long jump; David Lynn won the hammer throw; Karlos Jordan won the 200m dash and was also a member of the winning 4x100m relay team. Jamel Allison went on to the 2009 NCAA Division II Men's Outdoor Track and Field Championships, May 21-25, in Angelo, Texas. UNCP's first national meet qualifier since 1999. Allison took fourth place in the long jump with a jump that was just 0.05 meters off the UNCP school record set by Greg Henderson in 1986. Allison was named to the 2009 USTFCCA All-America team, UNCP's first all-American in track and field since Russel Clark accomplished the feat in 1985 in the high jump.

The Lady Braves also registered many top-10 finishes during their 2009 season. At the Braves Classic, Jessica McDowell anchored the winning 4x100m relay and earned top honors in the 100m hurdles and the long jump. Tierra McIntosh took the high jump and the 400m dash and ran the second leg of the winning 4x100m relay. Katherine Davis had wins in the discus and the hammer throw. The UNCP women won the team competition at the 2009 NCAA Southeast Regional Championships. Jessica McDowell claimed three individual titles—long jump, 100m hurdles, and 100m dash—and was a member of the winning 4x100m relay. Katie Davis shattered her own school record in the hammer throw for the fourth time in the season; she also won the discus and the shot put. Ivy Ramsey was the individual event winner in the 1500m. Tierra McIntosh capped

Brittany Anderson swings the hammer around before the release

off a storied collegiate career by winning the 400m dash; she also took third in the 200m dash and was a member of both winning relays.



Men's Track and Field Livan Alswadi, Brittany Anderson, Jazmin Clifton, Katherine Davis, Gay Nicole Hill, Talisha Holder, Michelle Irivonak, Jessica McDowell, Tierra McIntosh, Courtney Oxendine, Quisha Perry, Ivy Ramsey, Jessica Sanders, Catherine Shoemaker, Brianva Toloh

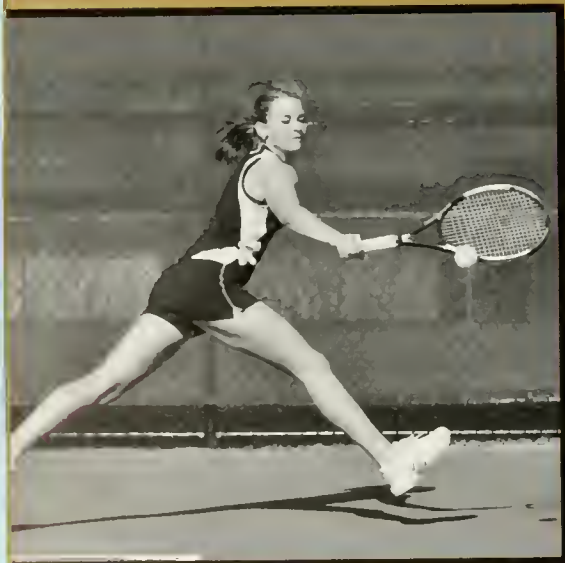
Charles Penny arches his back, careful not to hit the bar, as he competes in the high jump.

Swing Away

The men's golf team finished second at the Coker College Spring Invitational, with three Braves golfers earning top-15 finishes. At the Lenoir-Rhyne-Catawba Intercollegiate, the Braves earned their first team victory since 2005 as freshman Jordan Walor shot a six-under-par 158 to set a new school record for 56 holes, shooting a blistering 66 in the final round to win his second tournament of the season. Walor became the second UNCP golfer to be named the PBC Freshman of the Year. He finished the 2009 PBC Golf Championship tied for second and shot a two-under-par 70 on the final day of the NCAA DII Men's Southeast Regional, tying him for 12th overall. Walor was named to the Golf Coaches Association of America all-freshman team and an honorable mention on the Division II PING All-America team. The women's golf team shot a team single-round record of 515 at the Tusculum Kiawah Island Intercollegiate and earned its highest finish in program history at the Newberry College Invitational, placing second. Sophomore Katja Dammann paced the Braves to finish tied for fourth, and Christina Crovetti finished tied for seventh. The Lady Braves equalled their second place finish two weeks later at the Panther Invitational, with Dammann finishing in the No. 2 spot. She was named to the National Golf Coaches Association All-American Scholar Team for Division II.

In tennis, UNCP turned in wins in four of the last six regular season outings to finish at 12-11, the third winning season in the last four years for the Lady Braves. In the PBC Tournament, Janna Oxendine and Meredith Pierson had battled back from a 5-2 deficit to win in a tiebreaker at No. 5 doubles, but USC Aiken ousted the ninth-seeded Braves and put a close to the 2009 campaign. Linda Tataia-Colin achieved a first for the women's tennis program when she was among 12 singles players named to the all-PBC squad.

Christina Crovetti swings so hard during a golf tournament she picks up grass and dirt along with the ball.



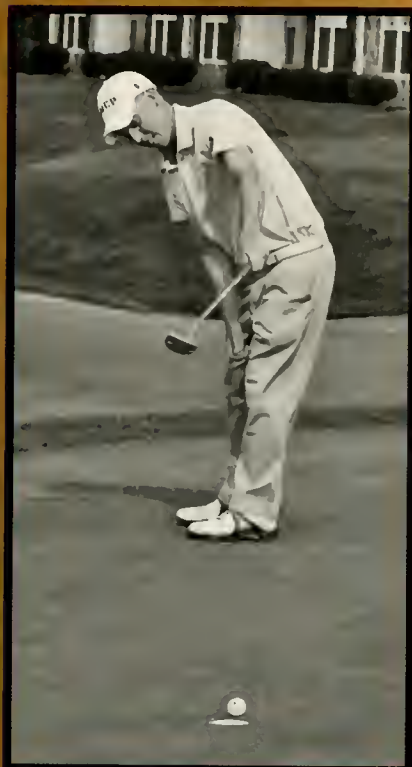
Janna Oxendine leaps across the court to return a serve

2009 Women's Tennis—Madeline DiNunzio, Anna Larsson, Jenna McGary, Christina Nick, Janna Oxendine, Meredith Pierson, Maricel Quintero Prieto, Beverly Vause



Meredith Pierson aims her racquet at the ball steadily, focused and ready to hit it across the net.

Parker Houston watches as he makes a putt during a tournament.



2009 Tennis		
UNCP		Opp.
4	NC Central	3
9	Johnson C. Smith	0
7	Pfeiffer	2
8	North Georgia	4
1	Georgia College	3
0	Clayton State	9
0	Francis Marion	9
7	Marcyhurst	2
5	Kutztown	4
8	Clarion	1
0	Armstrong Atlantic	9
4	Charleston (WV)	5
3	Mount Olive	6
0	Columbus State	9
9	Barton	0
1	Angosta State	8
6	Lees-McGee	3
4	USC Aiken	5
7	Wingate	2
8	GA Southwestern	1
4	Lander	5
9	Fayetteville State	0
1	USC Aiken	5
(FBC Tournament)		



Men's and Women's Golf Andy Case, Taylor Ferguson, Parker Houston, Scott Beck, Jonathan Lamer, Jonathan McCurry, Luke Ovenden, Sam Stephenson, Travis Taylor, Jordan Walor, Christina Crovetti, Jennifer Crow, Katja Dammann, Becky Hunsman, Alexa Mooney, Kaitlin Payton, Abby Shipley, Shauna Walor

2008-9 Golf	
Men's Results	
Kiswah Island Invitational	10th
Sea Trail Intercollegiate	18th
State Farm-Laker Collegiate Classic	2nd
AFLAC/Gougar Invitational	18th
Coker College Spring Invitational	2nd
AASU/Southbridge Pirate Invitational	8th
Lenoir-Rhyne/Catawba Intercollegiate	1st
GCSU Bobcat Invitational	16th
2009 Carolina Sands Intercollegiate	8th
Peach Belt Conference Tournament	8th
Women's Results	
Draper Intercollegiate	12th
Lady Falcon Invitational	7th
Lenoir-Rhyne/Myrtle Beach Intercol.	4th
Fatsy Boudelman Invitational	6th
Transcolum/Kiswah Island Invitational	1-8th
Newberry College Invitational	2nd
Panther Invitational	2nd
Lenoir-Rhyne/Catawba Intercollegiate	4th
Ralph Hargett Invitational	3rd
Agnes McAnis Memorial	4th

Tommy Hawk and the cheerleaders are on the sidelines to help UNCP fans support their Braves.

Cheerleaders pump up the spirits of alumni, faculty, and staff who arrived early for a tailgating party before heading into the stadium for the game.



Instant Classic

A new tradition began when UNCP quarterback Cory Smith completed a 21-yard pass to Jamal Williams in the second overtime period to upset 24th-ranked Fayetteville State in the inaugural Two Rivers Classic on Saturday evening, August 29, at FSI's Luther "Nick" Jerards Stadium. UNCP students and alumni who filled the visitors' stands streamed on to the field to celebrate with the Braves at the end of a long and exciting game. "We preached to our guys all through the preseason that we were going to be in great shape and that we were going to wear on people, and I am proud of them because they had one more play in them than Fayetteville State did tonight," said head coach Pete Shinnick.

UNCP never trailed in a game that, although uneventful in the first half, was anything but in the second. Nick Taylor Baskett gave UNCP its fifth lead of the contest on a 51-yard boot with 42 seconds left in the fourth quarter, but Fayetteville State drove 55 yards in 25 seconds to set up a 54-yarder that sent the game to overtime. Both teams mustered just three points in overtime to send it to a second extra period. Smith's strike to Williams on 5rd-and-6 from the 21 on the first possession of the final period would cap the scoring, sealing the victory for the Braves.





Keith Gore takes his turn holding the newly won trophy as players, coaches, and fans celebrate on the field after the game.

Josh Throckmorton carries the ball into the FSU end zone to score the first touchdown of the game.



The Spirit of the Carolinas marching band entertains at half time.

Braves teammates say a prayer on the sidelines before taking the field against FSU.

Season of Firsts

After the thrilling win against FSU in the Two Rivers Classic, UNCP racked up more than 400 yards of total offense for the second straight game to defeat the Saint Paul's Tigers 57-0 in the home opener on September 5 at Grace P. Johnson Stadium. The following week, Robert Fletcher's 25-yard fumble return gave visiting Wingate a seemingly insurmountable 15-5 lead with 5:25 left in the third quarter, but resilient UNCP scored 21 unanswered points in the fourth quarter to upend the Bulldogs for the first time in program history, 24-15.

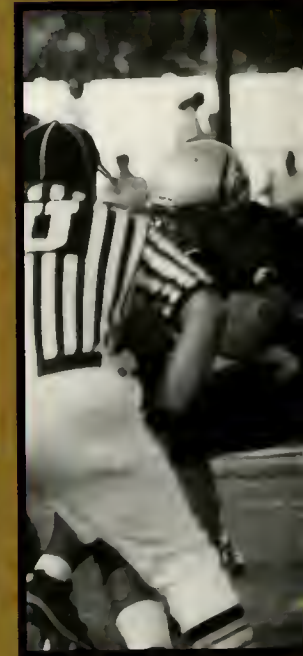
After these two home victories, Carson-Newman made a 14-0 halftime lead stand up to hand UNCP its first loss in more than a year with a 55-22 victory over the Braves on September 19 at Burke-Tarr Stadium. Back home the following week, UNCP forced four turnovers and held visiting Lane to just 65 yards in the first half en route to posting a 45-5 rout of the Dragons.

In front of a school-record 4,845 fans gathered for Homecoming weekend on October 5, UNCP racked up 499 yards of total offense and held visiting Webber International virtually motionless in the second half to extend its home winning streak out to 10 games with a 50-5 win over the Warriors. The victory put the cap on a perfect 4-0 record at home—the Braves' second straight season with an unblemished record at Grace P. Johnson Stadium.

The following week, UNCP began a season-ending four-game road trip at Duvall-Rosier Stadium in northern West Virginia, where the team racked up more than 280 yards on the ground as our defense controlled the tempo for the third straight game to help the Braves roll over Fairmont State, 38-7. On October 24, visiting UNCP amassed nearly 400 yards of total offense and held the nation's 12th-ranked scoring offense to a lone third quarter touchdown in a 27-9 victory over the Concord Mountain Lions. On October 31, D.J. Ellerbe blocked and returned a first quarter punt for a touchdown to give the visiting Braves their first points just less than two minutes into a 52-7 win over the Bobcats of Frostburg State.

In the regular season finale on November 7, North Greenville took an early lead, but 10th-ranked UNCP rattled off 42 unanswered points before surrendering a late touchdown in the fourth quarter to rattle the Crusaders, 42-14. "I am very happy for both our players and our coaches," said head coach Pete Shinnick after the game. "Our guys have worked really hard this year, and it is going to pay off. We feel good about the position that we're in."

2009 Football		
UNCP		Opp.
41	Fayetteville State	34
	(Two Rivers Classic)	
37	St. Paul's	0
24	Wingate	13
22	Carson-Newman	36
45	Lane	3
30	Webber International	8
38	Fairmont State	7
27	Concord	9
32	Frostburg State	7
42	North Greenville	14
15	Arkansas Tech	41
	(EGAA Div II Playoffs)	

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The Braves face off against Wingate during their come from behind win.

Offense is a strength for the Braves as they rack up yardage against their opponents.



Quarterback Cory Smith has protection from the offensive line as he drops back and gets ready to pass.

These linemen make contact with their opponents. Both offensive and defensive lines were key for the Braves this season.

Farewell, Coach Schaeffer!

After a storied 30-year career in which he transformed the UNCP men's soccer team into a legitimate contender at the conference and regional levels, Mike Schaeffer announced his retirement from coaching effective on May 31, 2010.



1982: Coach Schaeffer, on the sideline of the old soccer field opposite the Diet Building, reacts to a play during a match.

Schaeffer joined the UNCP athletic family before the 1980 season and concluded his stellar coaching career with a 251-242-55 record. He has taken three teams to the NCAA postseason, including the 2004 squad who advanced to the Final Four. Schaeffer ranks 16th among active coaches in the NCAA. He had 13 winning seasons, including the 2003 club that posted a 17-1-2 mark. Schaeffer coached five all-Americans and 35 All-conference performers.

Two of his athletes—Stephen Ademolu (2001) and Christian Staadman (2005)—won the Peach Belt's Freshman of the Year award. Twenty-six of his players earned all-PBC tournament laurels. His players won 30 PBC Player of the Week accolades.

Off the playing field, Schaeffer's teams were just as successful with four players earning academic all-America laurels and three others taking home academic all-region honors. A total of 58 players were named to the PBC's Academic Honor Roll, and 25 of those student-athletes earning the league distinction in multiple seasons.

Personally, he has received four Coach of the Year awards. "I measure my success not only in wins, but by the kinds of people my players have become as alumni," Schaeffer said. "I know that their experience at UNC Pembroke has contributed to their growth, and I hope that I have played some small part in their development. I will always remember Gonzales Suarez's mom hugging his diploma on graduation day be-

cause I don't think either she, or his dad, was ever really certain he would graduate from college," he said. "Not only did he graduate, but he also became a 3.0 student. This is a kid who struggled before he came to college, and then he struggled during his first year here, but he became a secret student and got up at 2 a.m. to study when nobody else was awake. That is a success story." "I've always tried to make sure players knew the right way to do things and the importance of trying hard and persevering," he continued. "Our program has stressed winning, of course, but winning the right way and dealing with setbacks with class. Those types of things are very important and part of my memory in the last 30 years."

In addition to his work with student-athletes, Schaeffer has also been heavily involved in both the professional and community levels as well. He served on NAIA and NCAA all-America committees and has been an integral part of the Lumber River Regional Senior Games.

The enthusiastic mentor already has some plans for his retirement. "I anticipate being able to spend a lot more time with my son, Ethan, and helping him continue to develop as a man, and I look forward to being able to visit my 85-year-old mother in Spartanburg on a more regular basis, as well as enjoying more time with my wife at her parents' place down at Ocean Isle." "I am not ready to be a complete idler," he added.

"In the near future I've got a deck to repair. I've got painting jobs to do around the house," Schaeffer said. "I would love to come back to teach part-time in the future and will finally be able to get serious about my golf game."



2009: Coach Schaeffer, on the sideline of the new soccer field north of Simmons Hall, observes a play during a match.





Ben Hurn makes contact with an Arkansas Tech player as part of UNCP's defensive attack.

Former UNCP Chancellor Allen Meadows, now at Central Arkansas, joins other Braves fans at the playoff game.

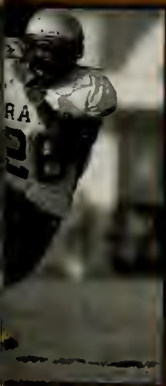


Playoffs!

Making the playoffs seemed a long way away four years ago when F.N.C.P. decided to revive football after a 30-year absence. But this November, following a 9-1 regular season, F.N.C.P. became the youngest program ever to secure a bid into the NCAA Division III Football Playoffs and the first independent to make the playoffs since F.C. Davis in 2002. "It's been the goal all along," head coach Pete Shinnick said. "We wanted to become a team in Region 2 that was recognized as a playoff team, and we feel very good about getting it done in year three."

The Braves traveled to Russellville, Arkansas, for the first round game against Arkansas Tech on Saturday, November 11. UNCP's Cory Smith was 6 of 17 passing for 122 yards and a touchdown, while the 5-headed rushing attack of Keith Gore, Travis Daniels, and Rashon Kennedy combined for 182 yards. Daniels's 71 yards put him at 1,012 for the season, making him UNCP's first 1,000-yard rusher. However, AIT quarterback Nick Graziano threw for a program-best 169 yards to give Arkansas Tech a 11-12 victory over UNCP in the first NCAA II playoff game in our program's history. "We needed to play perfect in order to win," said Coach Shinnick, "and I felt we played close, but AIT played nearly perfect football, and I congratulate them on that." The loss snapped a six-game winning streak for the Braves and brought the 2009 season to a close.

All the Braves did was follow up a 9-1 performance last season with a tougher schedule, another 9-win season, and this time, a playoff berth, wrote *Independents* columnist David Bykowski. T-NCP finished at No. 20 in the final American Football Coaches Association Division II Coaches Poll. A dozen players were named to D2Football.com's All Independent squads, including six first-team selections: Travis Daniels, Keith Broderick, Elivera Green, Taylor Baskett, Justin Hinson, and Jamal Williams.



Scoring for the Gold

Not only finding out that the Braves men's soccer squad would be losing their beloved head coach of thirty years, the Braves also ended their season (8-8-2) with their third-straight loss in the PBC Tournament. However, there was still reason to celebrate during the post season. The post-season honors continued for the UNCP men's soccer team as Ian Wagner and Dragan Lipovac were among 22 Peach Belt Conference student-athletes named to the 2009 PBC Men's Soccer All-Academic Team. A first team selection, Wagner garnered the honor for the second-straight season, while Lipovac, a member of the second team, earned the high award for the first time in his still-young career. Both played integral parts in the success of the Braves on the field over the course of the most recent campaign.

Having registered UNCP's highest single-season goal total since 2004, sophomore forward Andy Pullin added to an already impressive collegiate resumé. Pullin was among 22 players named to the 2009 All-Peach Belt Conference Men's Soccer team. Pullin was among 12 PBC student-athletes to garner first team status, while the laurel marked the ninth-straight year that the Black and Gold has sent at least one representative to the distinctive postseason listing.

The Braves were looking forward to the arrival of their new head coach, the former Clemson and Winthrop coach Phil Hindson, hoping to start off a new year in 2010 with a stronger team of new and returning players.

Dragan Lipovac's skills are beyond question as he over takes his opponent



2009 Men's Soccer—Dean Moore, Phil Charles, Daniel Bougt, Travis Mulford, Ian Wagner, Rondell Honora, Dejan Horvath, Connor Michael Davis, Matt Gallagher, Dragan Lipovac, Jose Alen, Kyle Kenney, C.J. Denning, Jon Sheffield, Alcen Deacon, Justin Heath, Horatio Bynes



2019 Men's Soccer

UNCP		Opp.
1	Coker	2
2	Pfeiffer	1
0	Queens	2
2	Barton	1
1	Lenoir-Rhyne	1
1	St. Andrews	0
0	Flagler	3
1	Lenoir-McRae	2
3	Montevallo	3
4	Mount Olive	2
0	Clayton State	1
7	ITSC Allen	1
2	Georgia SW	1
0	Francis Marion	2
3	Lander	4
1	Chowan	0
1	North Georgia	1
0	Clayton State	5



Daniel Boudt shows his power while moving the ball down the field.



Matt Gallagher can't be pushed around as he defends the ball from the opposing team.

Justin Hedrick has no problem setting up the ball to score as his opponent tries to block.

Burney Joiner intently controls the ball to wards the goal

Sam Dunn blocks her opponent by control ing the ball with a header



2009 Women's Soccer

UNCP	Opp.	
2	Mount Olive	0
2	Lenoir-Rhyne	2
9	St. Andrews	0
0	Columbus State	1
8	Queens	1
10	Erskine	0
0	Flagler	2
0	Wingate	1
2	Montevilla	0
2	Clayton State	2
2	HSC Alken	1
3	GA Southwestern	0
0	Catawaba	1
1	Lander	1
0	Georgia College	1
1	Armstrong Atlantic	5
3	Barton	1
3	North Georgia	2
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3



This Lady Brave skillfully ma neuvers the ball away from her opponent

Faye Corbett enjoys the thrill of the game as she artfully blocks the ball



Aiming for Success



Despite losing their last game of the season, the Lady Braves still have reason to celebrate. However, the loss not only marked the end of the season for two of UNCP's players, but the end of their collegiate career as well. "I am extremely proud of our seniors," said head coach Lars Andersson following the final game. "Denny Irvine has been in the program for three years, and Heather Jones has been here for four and I am sure that they are both as disappointed as I am with our record. But as seniors, they did everything that they could to make this a successful season and I am grateful for that, both on and off the field."

When the Peach Belt Conference released the women's soccer All-Academic team after the end of the season, honors were awarded to three UNCP athletes: Sam Dunn, Sheena Mature, and Heather Jones. Sam Dunn was a 2008 PBC all-academic first team and two-time PBC Presidential Honor Roll selection (gold level) while also earning recognition as a two-time member of UNCP's Chancellor's List. Dunn was also named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) academic all-district first team in district three.

And still there were other Lady Braves who were a force to be reckoned with, such as forward freshman Anna Svensson and sophomore Britney Joiner. Svensson started her collegiate career in impressive fashion, taking the field in 18 of the Lady Braves' 19 contests with 11 starts to her credit, and was recognized by the PBC twice as player of the week (Sept. 1 and Oct. 15). Britney Joiner, who was named the PBC's Freshman of the Year in 2008, played in 17 games this season for the Lady Braves and started 16. A native of Jacksonville, the sophomore took 61 shots in 1210 minutes and recorded a pair of assists and game-winning goals this season. Both will be a remaining asset to the Lady Braves soccer team. The Lady Braves soccer squad with Coaches Andersson and Privitera will be anticipating the toughest schedule their team has ever faced in 2010.



2009 Women's Soccer: Back Row: Andrea Collen, Britney Joiner, Sam Dunn, Emily Desjarlais, Sheena Mature, Lave Collier, Lorie Lyric, Monica Riser, Emily Forsman, Karim Dagnachew, Brittany Padilla, Anna Svensson, Heather Jones, Cassie Johnson, Mikaela Brittain, Brittany Greaves, Ashley Anetil, Rebecca Womack, Lilie Groothuis.

Chris Midgett (below right) has no problem keeping his running pace alongside his teammates.

All American Pardon Ndhlovu (below) looks strong as he gets closer to the finish line.



2009 Cross Country

Men's Results

UNCP Invitational	1st
UNCW/Adidas Seahawk Invit.	4th
ECU Pirates Invitational	2nd
Great American XC Invit.	7th
Mount Olive Invitational	1st
PBC Championships	3rd
NCAA Southeast Regional	5th

Women's Results

UNCP Invitational	5th
UNCW/Adidas Seahawk Invit.	4th
ECU Pirates Invitational	3rd
Great American XC Invit.	1th
Mount Olive Invitational	1st
PBC Championships	7th
NCAA Southeast Regional	13th



Annette Sem paces herself so she can go the distance.

Bian Long (immediate right) and Jessica McDowell (far right) stay focused on the run.



Long Distance



The men's cross country team had a successful 2009 season. At the Mount Olive Invitational, the UNCP men's cross country team broke into two teams, 'Black' and 'Gold,' to take on five other teams. UNCP's Gold team paced the event to take home the gold while their teammates brought in a fourth place finish. The Gold team included Pardon Ndhlovu, Steven Merritt, Zachary Bayless, Kevin Clancy, Cedric Wilson, Christian Wisecovitch and Daniel Yeakley. Runners Thomas McDonough, Darius Brantley, Chris Midgette, Jonathan Williams, Brandon Fulford, Kaleb Mersha, Clayton Pierce and Cory Cox rounded out the Black team.

Freshman Pardon Ndhlovu paced his teammates to a third place team finish at the 2009 Peach Belt Conference Cross Country Championships, while also picking up a second place individual finish and PBC Freshman of the Year honors. Coming in second for the Black and Gold was sophomore Zachary Bayless, rounding out the top 20 for UNCP were Christian Wisecovitch, 18th and Kevin Clancy, 19th.

Pardon Ndhlovu earned all-American status after placing 50th out of 182 runners at the NCAA II Cross Country National Championships. Ndhlovu was the first UNCP cross country athlete to run at NCAA Division II Nationals in 28 years and the first athlete in the history of UNCP's cross country program to be recognized as an all-American by the NCAA, joining eight other all-Americans in the cross country program that were recognized by the NCAA.

The UNCP women's cross country team also took home a first place finish at the Mount Olive Invitational, beating out six other teams for the gold. Annette Sem placed first for UNCP and second overall, and Catherine Shoemaker placed second for UNCP and third overall. "We hit our goal of winning the meet," explained assistant coach Jeff Moody, "We hope that this victory will give us the motivation that we need to carry us into our upcoming conference competition."

Freshman Annette Sem paced the Lady Braves to take home a seventh place finish at the 2009 Peach Belt Conference Cross Country Championships. Sem took 14th place overall to earn her a spot on the PBC's

Daniel Yeakley does his best to keep his opponents behind him in this event.

all-conference second team. Coming in second for UNCP and 26th overall was Bonnie MacDonald; third for the Black and Gold was Catherine Shoemaker.



2009 Men's Cross Country—Zachary Bayless, Darius Brantley, Cory Cox, Ryan Elmore, Brandon Fulford, Thomas McDonough, Steven Merritt, Kaleb Mersha, Chris Midgette, Pardon Ndhlovu, Jonathan Odden, Clayton Pierce, Jonathan Williams, Cedric Wilson, Christian Wisecovitch, Daniel Yeakley.

2009 Women's Cross Country—Jamila Guy, Woodi Jones, Blair Long, Bonnie MacDonald, Jessica McDowell, Annette Sem, Catherine Shoemaker, Brienne Talbot.

Dig It!

Top-seeded Hagler swept eighth-seeded UNCP Pembroke 5-0 in the first match of the 19th Annual Peach Belt Conference Volleyball Championship at the USC Aiken Convocation Center on Friday, Nov. 14. The loss brought the Lady Braves' 2009 campaign to an end with an 11-11 record, including a 7-11 mark in the PBC.

In their previous match with Hagler on November 16 during the regular season, senior Andrea Laza began the night needing only three digs to break the Peach Belt Conference's league record for career digs. Laza posted six digs during the match to set the new record at 2,252, breaking former Francis Marion standout Jessica Strader's mark of 2,248. In her four seasons at UNCP, Laza has led the team in digs each year. During her freshman campaign she posted 521 followed by a career high 798 digs her sophomore season. During her junior year she tallied 555 digs and had recorded 598 so far this season, her final wearing the Black & Q Gold.

UNCP was led on offense by sophomore outside hitter Tiara Anderson who posted seven kills on 15 attempts while committing only one at-rack error. Setters Morgan Ridge and Sam Wylie each recorded 10 assists with Jessica Hartley and Tricia Varno tallying two blocks each. Despite Laza's and Anderson's efforts, UNCP dropped the match to Hagler, 5-0.

Earlier in the season UNCP played two matches on day two of Lander University's Dig Pink Volleyball Tournament at the end of October. UNCP dropped a pair of contests to non-conference opponents, Anderson University and Lees-McRae College, as the Braves fell to the Trojans 5-0, then to the Bobcats 5-2 to close out the event. Dig Pink is part of the Side Out Foundation, which raises money to help breast cancer patients. Donations were accepted. The Side Out Foundation utilizes the best-qualified sources to guide its allocation of donations. Its policy is to find not only the neediest organizations locally, but the most promising areas that can deliver practical near-term results in the areas of therapeutic treatments and improved quality of life for breast cancer patients.



2009 Volleyball Mlic Schneider, Andrea Laza, Sam Wylie, Morgan Ridge, Tiara Anderson, Corbin Haworth, Sam Smith, Shay Peterson, Unwan Al Aswadi, Fizzie O'Connor, Rachel Young, Jessica Hartley, Whitney Hardin, Tricia Varno.

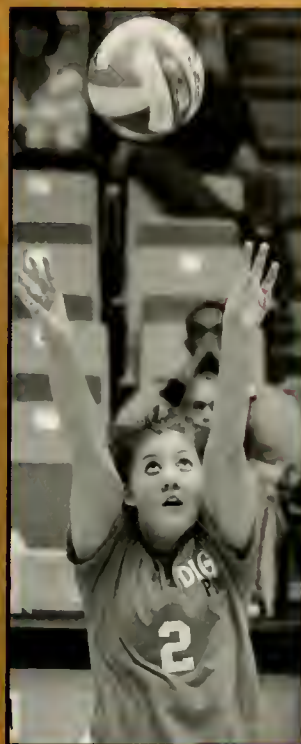




Lizzie O'Connor goes up for a block during Think Pink week.

2009 Volleyball		
UNC	OPP	
3	Coker	0
1	Catawba	3
1	Lenoir-Rhyne	3
3	Belmont Abbey	0
3	Fayetteville State	1
3	Erskine	2
1	Charleston (W.V.)	3
0	Alabama-Huntsville	3
1	Lenoir-Rhyne	3
3	Fayetteville State	1
2	West Georgia	3
0	Montevallo	3
3	Elizabeth City State	1
1	Lander	3
3	HSC Alkon	2
1	Francis Marion	3
0	Flagler	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3
0	Angusta State	3
3	Elizabeth City State	1
3	Limestone	1
0	Anderson	3
2	Lees-McRae	3
1	Montevallo	3
3	Francis Marion	2
0	Hager	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3
0	Flagler	3

Sam Wyke stays focused on hitting the ball.



Shew Peterson (above) stays focused on making contact while Whitney Hanlin and Jessica Hartley (left) react to a play.



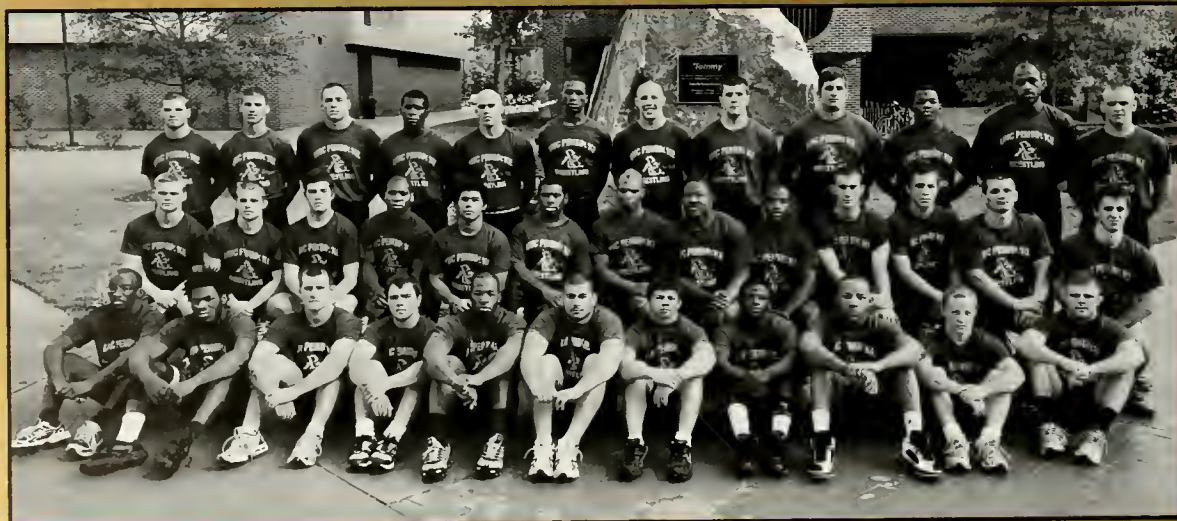
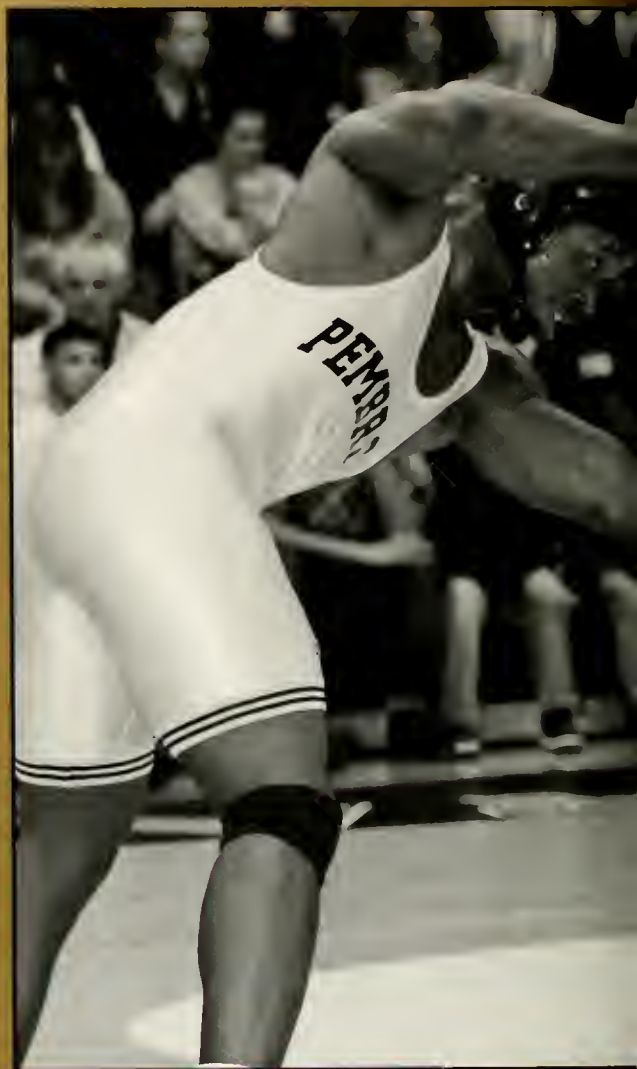
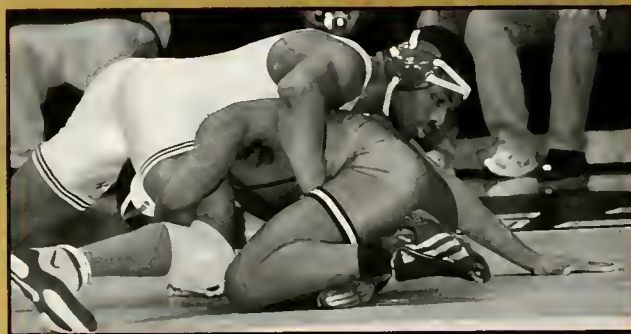
Sam Smith, Morgan Ridge and other teammates prepare to return the ball.

2009-10 Wrestling Dual Meet Results

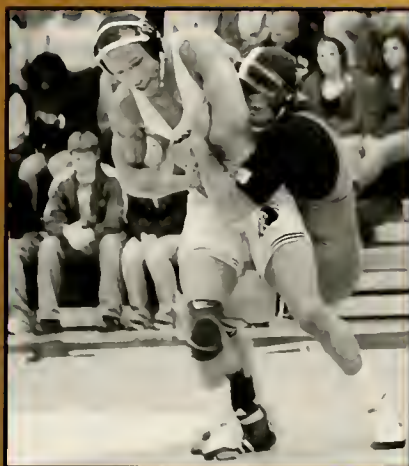
UNCP		Opp
38	Belmont	4
19	Cornell (IA)	17
21	Iowa Lakes	16
10	Coe	28
0	Iowa	47
48	Knox	3
36	Augustana	3
19	G. Canyon	32
15	Finlay	21
21	Adams	23
37	King	6
42	Lindsey	3
35	Spartanburg	7
14	Citadel	26
21	W. Liberty	12
21	Seton Hill	12
27	Pitt	13
22	Mercyhurst	18
47	St. Andrew's	4
12	Newberry	25
29	Anderson	9
17	Limestone	19

J J Davis attempts to break free from this Newberry wrestler's grip.

Rashaad Saunders holds on determined to pin his opponent.



2009 Wrestling: J.D. Baker, Brandon Bradley, Shibeem Bryant, John Henry Clemmer, J.J. Davis, James De La Riva, Mike Dolan, Jimmy Dunn, Joey Earnsworth, Jake Ferguson, Dennis Frix, Jordan Ford, Melvin Jones, Kenneth Lindsey, Donnan McDougald, Jacob McNeill, Noel Mueller, Shane Nolan, Deryang Rios, Rashaad Saunders, Matthew Sharp, Erik Stancil, John Strickland, Thurston, Jonathan Vann, Tyrell Walker, Russell Weakley, Wes Whitman, Mike Williams, Ben Williams.



Mike Williams works to break a hold to keep his opponent from scoring.

John Sturrock reaches for his opponent to set up for a point in his match.



No Tap-Out

UNCP wrestlers finished in fifth place at the NCAA Super Region I Tournament on February 26-27. Mike Williams and JJ Davis won regional titles, and Russell Weakley and Shane Nolan had runner-up finishes, qualifying these four Braves to advance to the NCAA National Championships; this was the ninth straight year that UNCP wrestlers went to the national tournament. Williams was also named the Most Outstanding Wrestler in the tournament.

Earlier in February, UNCP had ended its dual meet season at 14-8, the second-most wins in school history and the most since the 2002-3 team set the record of 15. The injury-depleted Braves suffered late-season losses to Limestone and Newberry, but on February 5 they won the annual "Battle of the Belt" against Anderson with victories in eight of ten individual matches. Against St. Andrews, UNCP got a perfect performance from the 5-member senior class, as well as four other individual victories, to dominate their region rival for the fourth consecutive time as the Braves routed the visiting Knights, 47-4. The win marked the fifth-straight triumph for UNCP, the longest winning streak for the Braves since the 2002-3 season.

Coach Jamie Gibbs shouts encouraging comments as Brandon Bradley and Assistant Coach O. L. Johnson look on.

Possession All Out!

The Lady Braves saw their 2009-10 season come to a close on Tuesday, March 2, dropping the first game of the Peach Belt Conference tournament to No. 9 Lander, 89-70. UNCP closed out its season with a 11-11 record overall and an 8-11 showing in the conference. The Lady Braves were led in the finale by PBC player of the week Ja'Toya Kemp, who found 22 points and 10 boards in her fourth double-double of the season and tenth of her career. The Lady Braves seem to be haunted by the Peach Belt Conference Tournament; this year's loss was their seventh straight in a tournament opener. The UNCP and Lander contest in the quarterfinals marked the teams' first ever meeting in the PBC tournament, and the loss put UNCP 17-20 all-time against the Lady Bearcats.

UNCP had finished out its regular season on a high note when the Black and Gold matched up against the Flagler Saints. With 11 Lady Braves putting points on the board it was a total team effort that surged UNCP past Flagler, 75-48. Playing their last game at the English L. Jones Center were seniors Porcha Locklear, Jodi Zimmerman, and Casey Siddens. Locklear led the senior class with nine points and a pair of rebounds while Zimmerman found four points and Siddens put away two. Head coach John Haskins stated, "Ja'Toya and Talena both had good games and all our seniors had great games—notably, Porcha, she played great, and it's always nice for a senior to end her regular season on that high note."

Junior Ja'Toya Kemp captured Peach Belt Conference Player of the Week honors twice this season. With her regular season performance, Kemp rocketed to the top of the PBC scoring chart with 18.0 points per game for the year. She also led the PBC in field goal percentage while ranking sixth in rebounding and ninth in free throw percentage.



2009 Women's Basketball Front: DeDe Cotten, Porcha Locklear, Jodi Zimmerman, Casey Siddens, Marquena DeltMiddle: Briana Stanton, Ja'Toya Kemp, Anya Knowler, Courtney Bolton, DayDay Ray, Talena Larson Back: Head Coach: John Haskins, Team Manager: Illya Hunt, Sasha Millington, Sarah Beal, Megan Gallimore, Markisha Hicks, Jasmyn Riggins, Kristin Hobbs, Cheyenne Jackson, Coach: Kiprice Davis, Athletic Trainer: Skye Livermore (not pictured: Jamarisha Ward)

Breanna Strickland finds an open
and takes a jump shot.

Dede Cotten sets up for a lay up while
taking the ball all the way to the hoop.



2009-10 Women's Basketball

UNC		Opp
47	UNCW	65
71	Coker	44
91	St. Andrews	55
82	Mary Hill	92
72	Lenoir	80
44	Johnson	48
82	NC Wesleyan	26
56	Chowan	46
50	Clayton	81
67	Lander	76
65	Tuskegee	63
85	Lincoln	80
65	Francis M.	77
55	UNC Aiken	52
49	Lander	74
48	Columbus	53
76	Georgia SW	70
57	Augusta	47
63	Armstrong	48
63	Montevallo	59
56	Georgia	61
82	Francis M.	98
68	Flagler	71
74	Augusta	61
88	N. Georgia	85
65	UNC Aiken	74
80	Armstrong	83
73	Flagler	48



Illyia Hunt dribbles the ball down court while
looking for an open receiver.

Talena Larson checks to see if she is within
shooting range.

All About Assists!

Playing in the final games of their careers, seniors Taylor Hukill, Maurice Thorpe, and Brandon Thomas helped lead the Braves to a 102-77 defeat of Peach Belt Conference foe Flagler in the season finale for both teams on February 27 at the English E. Jones Center. "I'm really happy for our seniors to go out with a win and on a positive note, despite some frustrations we experienced this year," said UNCP head coach Ben Miller. "Everybody wanted to make sure that we went out on a good note and that's what we did," said Thomas. "From all the freshmen to all the seniors, everybody delivered tonight with good effort and it was a good game."

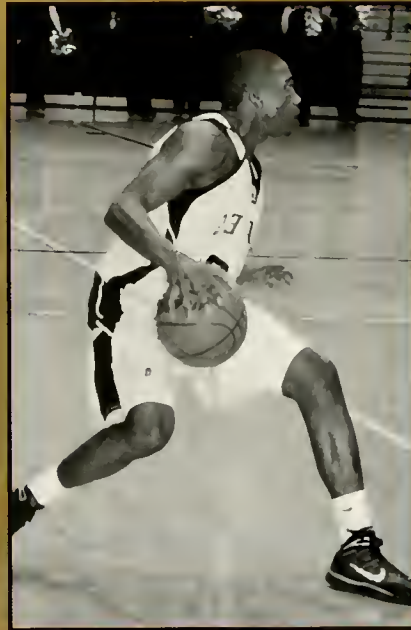
With the victory the Braves have won nine games on the year, three more than last year. They also ended the season with another 100 point performance, as they did last year when they defeated Columbus State 102-92.

Earlier in the season, Pembroke upset the Patriots of Francis Marion at the English E. Jones Center in a PBC Eastern Division game. Facing his home town team, South Carolina native Shahmel Brackett scored a career high 29 points for the Braves, contributing to UNCP's 89-80 victory.

Over all, with the 2009-10 Braves being such a young ball team, they were constantly improving. Head Coach Ben Miller stated, "Next year I don't think we will have to take a backseat in talent or experience to anybody in the PBC," he said. "It's going to come down to how hard we work this off-season and how much improvement our individuals make and we make as a team."

This Braves point guard (above right) brings the ball towards the key, readying for an offensive play.

Marcus Heath (right) cuts the ball to keep his opponent from stealing and causing a turnover.





Forward George Blakeney, who reached the Ryebock Nationals powers his way to the hoop with a massive slam dunk.

Tyler Egh, who led the team in scoring and rebounds against CSW, passes to an open receiver while being pressed.

**2009-2010
Men's Basketball**

UNCP	Opp
54 Iowa State	106
44 N. Iowa	79
72 High Point	104
92 Fayetteville	100
87 St. Andrew's	67
65 Coker	74
79 NC Wesleyan	75
97 Apprentice	71
76 Wingate	82
67 Clayton	89
90 Anderson	107
74 Fayetteville	72
77 St. Andrew's	82
78 Lander	68
64 Francis Marion	67
80 USC Aiken	95
51 Lander	69
63 Columbus	73
62 Georgia SW	68
43 Augusta	80
75 Armstrong	69
57 Montevallo	75
50 Georgia	82
89 Francis Marion	80
92 Flagler	83
77 Augusta	82
69 N. Georgia	78
71 USC Aiken	86
62 Armstrong	81
102 Flagler	77

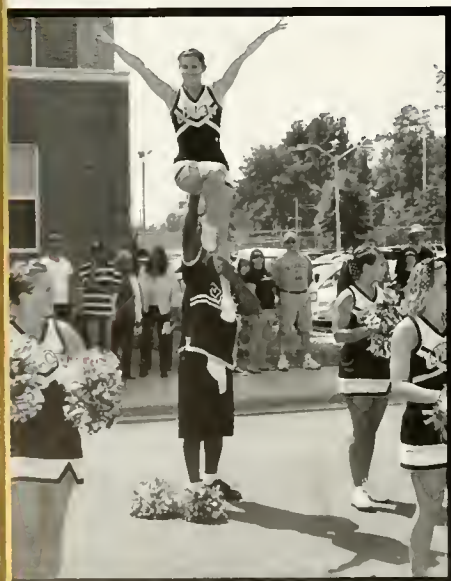
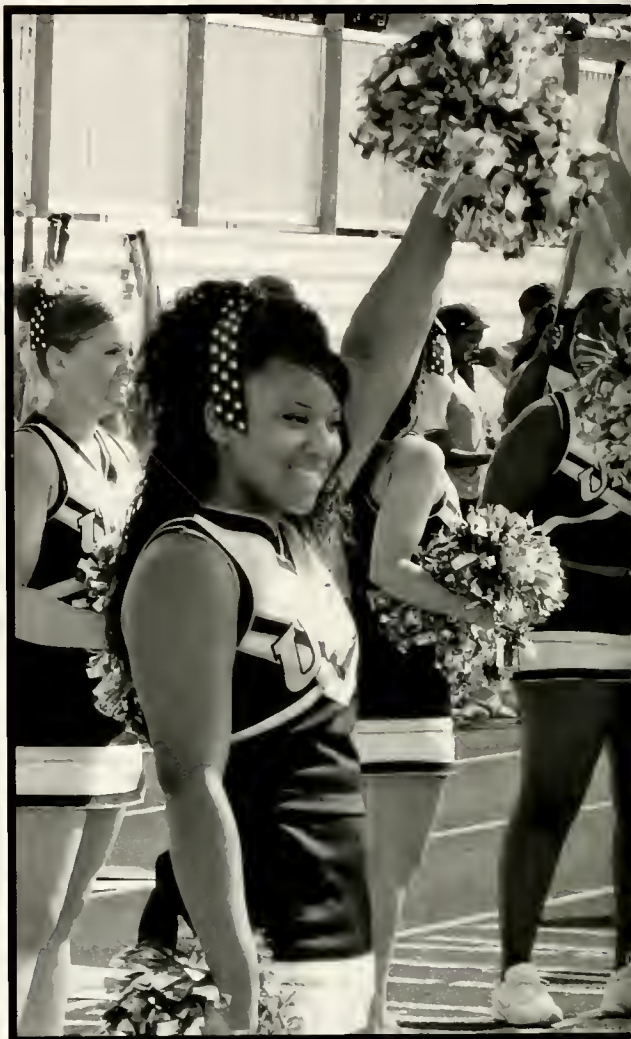


Men's Basketball: Assistant Coach Eldon Miller, Assistant Coach Corey Thompson, JV Alston, Maurice Thorpe, Mario Garguilo, Freshman Guard Dabali, Junior Smith Head Coach Ben Miller, Joey Hannant, Back Row E to R Student Assistant Jacob Himmel, Forward E to G, Tyler Felt, Mike Robinson, George Blakeney, Laurence Ellison, Nate Priest, Marcus Burnell, Marcus Heath, Shamel Brown, C.

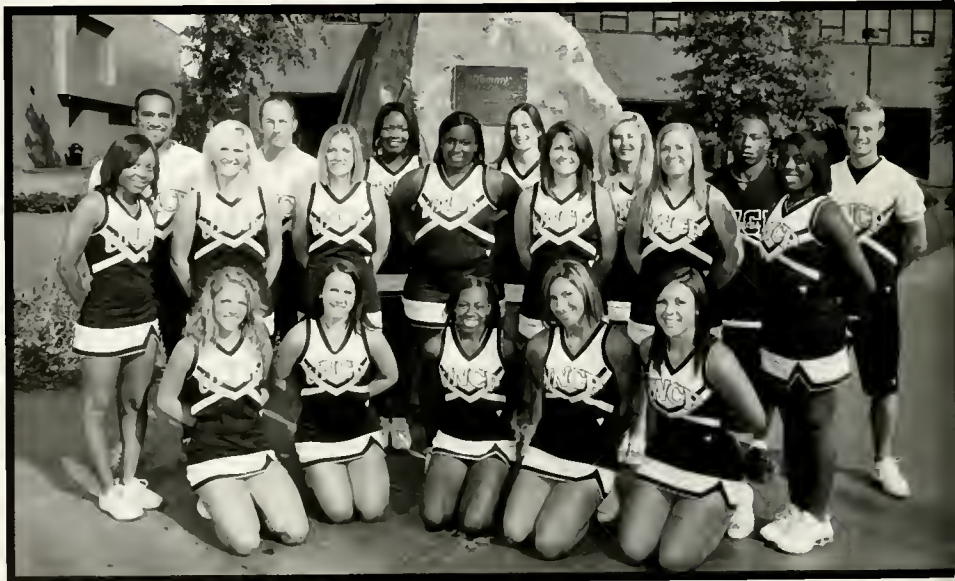
Members of The Spirit of the Carolinas keep the crowd's spirits up during the half-time show.



Yomia Strange and the other cheerleaders pep up the crowd and root for Pembroke during a football game.



Cheerleaders put on a show during tailgating activities before the Homecoming game.



2009 Cheer & Spirit Squad—Front: Leigh-Anne Farquharson, Cristi Rader, Marissa Tull, Kristin Lowery, Kriste Freeman; Middle: Tia Brown, Rachael Brasseur, Rebecca Reid, Victoria Gatewood, Brittany Kern, Nikki Odom, Mariah Lindsay; Back: Brian Norris, Bobby Cursio, DaQuesha Davis, Anna Queen, Hope Markham, Frankie Dennis, Sean Jaenicke

Team Spirit

The cheerleaders, dance team, pep band, marching band, and our Braves mascot Tommy Hawk have done a tremendous job pumping up the crowds at this year's basketball and football games and at other events. Their dedication and hard work have motivated our Braves players and helped bring victories to this University.

UNCP's Cheer Squad and Dance Team support our athletic teams by generating crowd enthusiasm. The Cheer Squad was led by coach Rebecca Cooper. Cheerleaders are chosen based on their experience and performance on the following criteria: motion technique, dance, jumps, stunts, tumbling, appearance, voice, and crowd appeal.

They can be seen—and heard—at football and basketball games, the Homecoming pep rally, Pembroke Day, and other campus events. UNCP cheerleaders and dancers also represent the University at a variety of alumni, civic, and charitable events.

The Spirit of the Carolinas Marching Band has brought exciting tunes for the crowds during football season. The marching band has also given a performance at Disney World. The Spirit of the Carolinas hosted the UNCP Black and Gold Marching Band Competition. The band has made parade appearances in Pembroke, Lumberton, and Southern Pines. The band was led under the direction of Marty Spitzer, Director of Athletic Bands; Dr. Tracy Wiggins, Director of Percussion Studies; Dr. Tim Altman, Department Chair, Director of Bands; and Alayna Dorso Defalco, Guard Instructor.

After marching season ends, some marching band members pack away their marching shoes and gear up for an exciting time serving as the official pep band of UNCP Basketball. The band consists of approximately 50 members who perform at men's and women's basketball games, as well as accompanying our teams to the Peach Belt Conference Tournament. The goal of the band is to provide an exciting atmosphere for the players and fans of UNCP basketball. Along with the dance team, the pep-band keeps the fans out of their seats and cheering for the Braves.



2009 Dance Team—Sara Allen, Gina Armstrong, Melanie Baker, Tia Brown, Debbie Field, Briika Garner, Victoria Gatewood, Lauren Grow, Sunni Haralalka, Sean Michael Jaenicke, Lizzy Mashburn, Aylin Nunez, Candace Vega, Ashton Young



Ashton Young, Lizzy Mashburn, and Aylin Nunez head into the FSU stadium for the Two Rivers Classic football game.

In Step

Diverse is the perfect definition for the students, faculty, and staff here at UNCP, which was ranked first place in the South for diversity in its student body in U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges and Universities 2010."

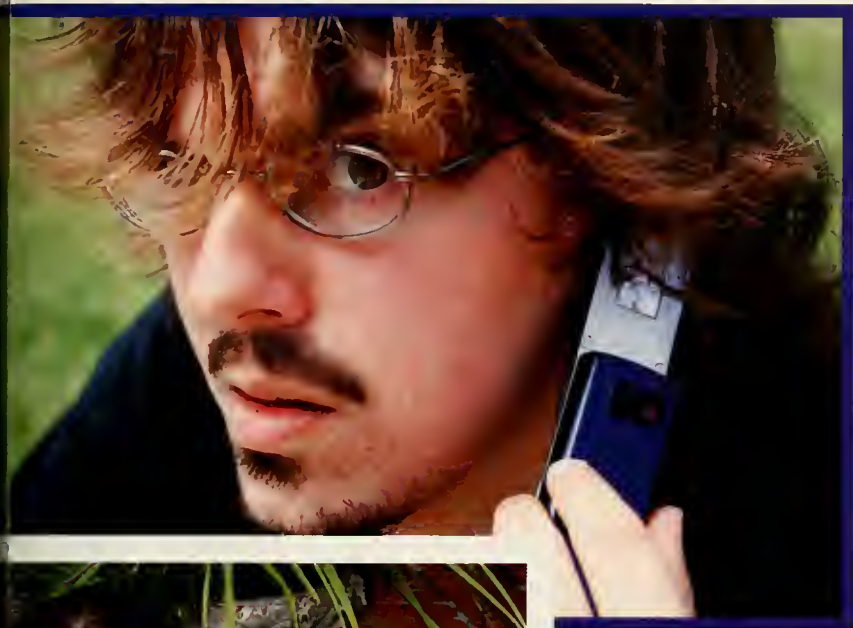
The student body is constantly growing each academic year. Student turnout this year was at an overall high. This year's freshman class alone contained 1,222 students. With the increased enrollment, on-campus housing was at the maximum capacity for students.

Student involvement was the key to enjoying the college years, especially at this small yet growing university. Professors were always available to offer guidance during their office hours to assist students.

Students stood out, showing lots of school spirit and staying involved in campus activities. While some students complained about lack of entertainment, others took steps to stand out and make the absolute best out of their years here.



Colorguard Captain Ashley Taylor smiles before the Homecoming half-time show. Under the direction of Alayna Dorso Defalco and Taylor, the squad performed to the music of *The Spirit of the Carolinas* marching band. The band spent a weekend in October in Baltimore's Inner Harbor after a competition with Frostburg State University.



Topher McLean chats on his cellphone on campus. Recent technologies have made it easy for people to stay in touch and up-to-date with events on campus. The Office of Student Life, along with other departments and organizations, created facebook and twitter pages to keep students up-to-date on certain activities on campus.

Chelsey Witter and Pamela Hughes, members of the Honors College, pose for a quick picture during the Chancellor's Dinner in September. Several Teaching Fellows and members of the International Student Organization attended the dinner as well. Students and faculty mingled, made s'mores, and sang karaoke.



People

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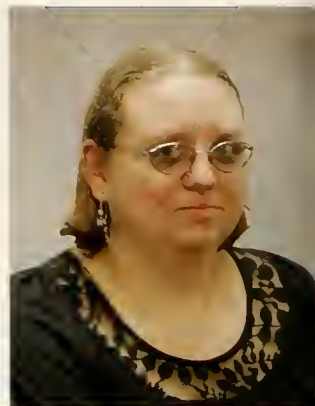
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Charlotte

Brandon Jo Akins

Social Studies Education
Swansboro

Krystal Atkin

Forensic Chmeistry
Clinton



Glory Ojoduwa Attaochu

Mass Communication
Washington, DC

Brittany Carol Barnes

Social Work
Lumberton

Jana-Rae Arlea Bass

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Pembroke



"You just have to get your priorities straight and save the partying for the weekends."

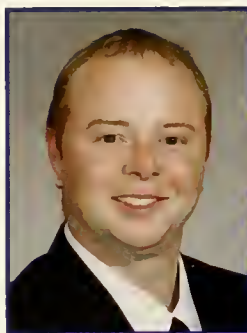
Christopher Santini

Christopher Santini was born in Orange County, California, but he grew up in Lawrenceville, Georgia as well as Augusta, Georgia, for most of his life.

As a business finance major, Chris's main goal was to eventually be able to help others, as well as himself, successfully and consistently handle finances. He originally transferred from Fayetteville Tech, but credits most of his scholastic success to the faculty and staff at UNC Pembroke.

"They have a lot of good teachers and provide the things necessary for a successful, well rounded education," he said.

After graduating from UNC Pembroke, Chris didn't plan on staying in the local area. In order to help pay off his loans, he wanted to go overseas to become a civilian contractor. After his overseas contracting, Chris planned on starting his career working for the F.D.I.C. (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation).



While attending UNC Pembroke, Chris spent his spare time teaching English for H.Y.P.E. Collaborative, an non-profit organization that helps teach and build up economically unstable youth to become better citizens, role-models, and students. He also worked at Circuit City while attending the University.

Chris said that keeping a job during the academic year made focusing on his studies difficult. "It doesn't really leave you with much time to do work or study; you just have to get your priorities straight and save the partying for the weekends," he said.

Chris was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and the D.A.V. (Disabled American Veterans). He enjoyed helping out veterans and lobbying for their benefits. Chris said he will miss UNC Pembroke and was anxious about starting his life in "the real world."

By Kerry Rainey





Iesha Shontá Bell

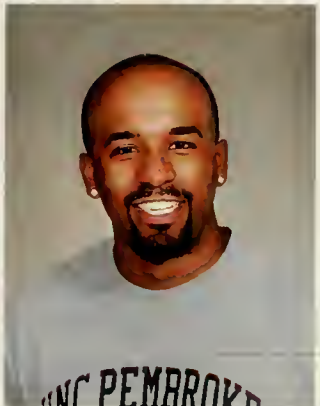
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Jamylette Lamourt Bennett

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Rockingham

Donovan DeWayne Bradley

Psychology
Fayetteville



Dwight Mandrill Brewington

Information Technology Management
Raeford

Tony Arnese Brewington

Criminal Justice
Fayetteville

Robert Lonza Brown, Jr.

Health Recreation Administration
Chadbourn



Yuasmine Diaz shows off her bright smile as she plays with her balloon animal at Pembroke Day.

Andy Gibson is on the lookout for students to throw in jail temporarily for Pembroke Day!

Paola Pani and Carolina Choi show their support for graduates at May 2009 Commencement.



Michael Georgiou enjoys the beautiful weather while he waits to walk across the stage at May 2009 Commencement.



Toni L. Bryan

Social Studies Education
Lumberton

Tranise Antionette Bryant

Biology
Fayetteville

Michelle Elaine Bullock

Public Administration
Evergreen



Sharonda Monique Bullock

Psychology
Raleigh

Sufilar Carter Burns

Spanish
Lumberton

Brittney Racquel Burt

Broadcasting
Butner



Anitra Williams

"If you keep it real, you will never regret the outcome."

Anitra Williams lived by her philosophy, "If you keep it real, you will never regret the outcome." She was originally from Philadelphia but later moved to Charlotte, NC. She considered her hometown to have a great atmosphere and lots of things to do.

During her time at UNC Pembroke, Anitra stayed in Oak Hall, a co-ed residence hall. She majored in Exercise and Sport Science and planned on going into physical therapy. She believed that UNC Pembroke has a wide variety of classes, and the professors are always there to help. She enjoyed the small class sizes because it allowed students to have a one-on-one relationship with their professors.

For three years, Anitra worked as a Student Ambassador for the University. She also worked at the Charlotte Stadium on weekends when she went home. During her time at UNC Pembroke, she was a member of Gamma Beta Phi and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Anitra loved being part of a sorority. She had always wanted to join one due to the influential women in her life. As part of the sorority, she participated in various campus activities and community service projects. When in Charlotte, she volunteered with the Red Cross frequently.



Anitra said that she enjoyed traveling of all kinds, from short weekend trips or to long vacations. She has been to Cancun, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Aruba, the Bahamas, Antigua, and Saint Martin.

She said she will miss her former roommate Soemon Cooper and plans on keeping in touch. "I'll miss the random, fun moments with my friends. Being here has opened me up to form new relationships and the opportunity to grow as a person," she said. Anitra planned on getting a job and saving up for an apartment and graduate school. She planned on moving back to Charlotte and working in the healthcare industry.

By Briana Smoot



Datwon Canty
Public Relations/Religion
Asheboro

Justina S. Carter
Psychology/Sociology
Red Springs

Susan Nicole Carter-Hunt
Psychology
Shannon



Jonie Carol Chavis
Sociology
Lumberton

Marie Michelle Chavis
Elementary Education
Pembroke

Carolina Jeongwon Choi
Elementary Education
Astoria, NY

"I would really love to help young people."

Jullian Pipkin

Jullian Lamar Pipkin was born and raised in Pembroke. He enjoyed attending the University in his hometown. He was very excited about his senior year and ready to start a new chapter in his life. Jullian also said that he was sad, though, because he will have to close the chapter he is in now.

During his first two years at UNC Pembroke he lived on campus, but for his last two years he lived at home and commuted. Jullian decided to major in Physical Education because he wants to help young people. "So many children these days are not blessed with the privilege of growing up with a good father figure. I want to help be that for them," he said.

Jullian loves sports and would like to help children find something positive to be involved in. He worked as an umpire for little league softball and baseball and planned to coach a basketball team in Lumberton. Jullian said that he always

felt blessed because his mother and father were always there to encourage him to do his best.

Jullian enjoyed watching the Dallas Cowboys play football while he wasn't studying or working on campus. He worked about six hours a week and said that others should try to get work-study jobs at the University.

Jullian said that freshmen should start thinking about their major early on in their college career. "Don't wait until the last minute to declare your major. Try to decide that as soon as possible because it will make registering for classes so much easier because you will know what you are required to

take in order to graduate," he said.

Jullian said he was planning on enrolling in UNC Pembroke's graduate program and he wished all of the freshmen the best of luck with their college experience.

By Ashley Irwin



Quan Naxine Cohen

Computer Science
Lumberton

Carol Barton Collins

Psychology
Robeson County

Mardella Sunshine Costanzo

American Indian Studies
Philadelphia, PA

Kenyatta Michelle Covington

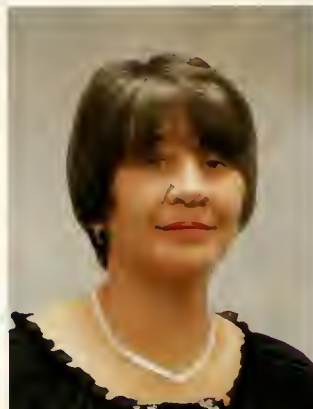
Marketing
Hamlet

Amy Elizabeth Cox

Theatre Arts
Hope Mills

Leilani Marciana Criss

Biology/Elementary Education
Swansboro





Joey Sarno enjoys the monuments of London on a summer class trip during Maymester.

Rebecca Capps smiles as she holds her long-awaited diploma at December 2009 Commencement.



DeAhna Tanai Crocker

English Education
Kings Mountain



Citara Kimone Daniel

Biology
Jacksonville



Kendra Quanshelle Daniels

Digital Art
Goldsboro



Michelle Darby

Psychology
Brunswick County



Joseph C. David III

Liberal Arts
Hamlet



Lauren Lynn Davies

Social Work
Seven Lakes

Brittany Nicole Dawson

Elementary Education
Jacksonville

Ruby Clark Dial

Sociology
Maxton

Tiffany Noel Dial

Biology
Red Springs



Jamar M. Dials

Exercise Science
Fayetteville

Yuasmine Shauntel Diaz

Recreation Management
Fayetteville

Edward Moses Dimmock

Digital Art
Marion



College students, including this senior, are always looking for refreshing drinks to keep them going.

Hannah Simpson stops for a pose while serving food and drinks during Relay for Life.





Cearra Unique Dunson

Political Science
Rowland



Corry Donté Durham

Biology
Goldsboro



Terry Dinardo Durham, Jr.

Art/Biology
Goldsboro



Ashley DeAnne Evans

Social Work
Wilmington



Sunni E. Fagan

Music Education
Uniondale, NY



Omekio LaShawn Faulk

Social Work
Lumberton

Sherry Oxendine

"Stay focused...it is a long-term goal."

Sherry Oxendine was born and raised in Lumberton and said that there is no other place she would rather be. She attended UNC Pembroke as a transfer student and was accepted into the Honor Society. Sherry was completing her college career as a Social Work major with an internship dealing with child welfare.

Being a commuter, Sherry discussed the pros and cons of commuting to Pembroke on a daily basis. She said that one of the pros was she never had to deal with uptight roommates or having to share a bathroom with another person or with a group of people.

However, being a commuter had limited her ability to attend on-site activities that the University hosts. Sherry also noted that the constant wavering of gas prices as well as the 20 minute drive from campus to her home made being a commuter difficult at times. Sherry said she enjoyed coming back to the University for some of

the nightly activities, like sport events and other activities that were held in the University Center.

Some of the other things Sherry said she loved about UNC Pembroke were the friendly staff and professors who were always willing to help students with anything that they needed.

She also said that during her time at UNC Pembroke she has made life-long friends whom she plans on keeping in touch with after she graduates.

Sherry said that with all these new friends have come life-long connections that would hopefully last the rest of her life.

Even though she came into UNC Pembroke as a transfer student, Sherry said that she has seen the campus grow significantly since she first registered here. Sherry said that freshmen should "stay focused" because graduating from college "is a long-term goal."

By Alejandro Plocuda



Joshua M. Fleetwood

Music Education
Dillon, SC

Stacie Fowler

Nursing
Lumberton

Carine Leigh Francois

Mass Communication
Winter Park, FL



Wanda Lynn Fuchs

Social Work
Hope Mills

Dewone Omar Gaiillard

Mass Communication
Fayetteville

Derek Clay Garris

Digital Art
New Bern



"Teaching makes all other professions possible."

LaMorris Smith

LaMorris "Morris" Smith, a senior at UNC Pembroke, has lived in Pembroke, NC, for all of his life. Since his freshman year, he has been commuting to campus for his classes.

He said the advantages of commuting included saving money on room and board and sleeping in his own bed at night. Morris noted, however, that some disadvantages included having to get up early to get ready, finding a decent parking space, getting to class on time, and paying for gas.

Ever since he was a little boy, Morris said, he always knew he wanted to be a teacher. So he had no hesitation when declaring his major in Elementary Education with a mathematics concentration. "Teaching makes all other professions possible," he said. Morris said that is one of his favorite quotes and he firmly believes that it is true.

For about 20 hours a week, Morris worked at Pembroke Elementary School as an after school

care teacher. He said that his job had a great effect on his studies. Morris became a member of UNC Pembroke's chapter of Gamma Beta Phi, a National Honor Society. He also worked as a Supplemental Instruction tutor for the Mathematics Department on campus. Morris said he believes that his involvement with these groups helped him in his success at the University and allowed him to make life-long friends and meet associates.

Morris said that incoming freshmen should plan early and stay focused from the beginning. He said to make the best of what the University has to offer and not to put things off until the last minute.

During his time at UNC Pembroke, Morris grew very fond of the University. He said that he will miss a lot about his college experience, including the friendly people, the freedom, the diversity, the educational atmosphere, the class sizes, and his class schedules.

By Cory Harris





Amanda Elizabeth Gilleland

Business Administration
Angier



Annette Rose Glenn

Theatre Arts
Asheville



Lauren Lee Glover

Criminal Justice/Sociology
Cary



Sabrina Godwin

History
Fairmont



Glenn Daniel Goldbaugh, Jr.

Mass Communication
Wendell



Lindsay D. Green

Biology/Chemistry
Charlotte



David Torres uses his communication skills to get people to buy hot chocolate and support cancer research during Relay for Life.

Cassi Vinson works on recruiting members during a student involvement fair.

This student stops for a moment of reflection at December 2009 Commencement.

Glory Attaochu and Alex Yang help to showcase UNC Pembroke's diversity during Asia Day.



Matthew Kyle Greene

Elementary Education
Montgomery County

Savanna Alanna Grim

Elementary Education
Fayetteville

Shahnee W. Haire

Health Promotion
Durham



Jennifer Reneé Hairston

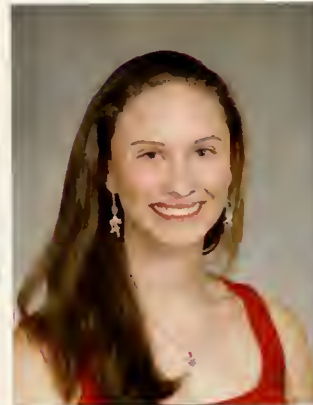
Business Management
Charlotte

Stacy Leigh Hand

Accounting
Pinehurst

Reneba D. Heard

Criminal Justice
Hamlet



Nicole Carter-Hunt

"Being organized from the beginning will help you stay on track."

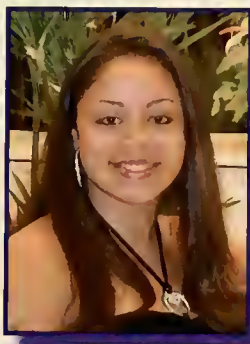
Susan Nicole Carter-Hunt, called "Nicole," considers herself a military brat from Hoke County. Born in Fort Bragg, NC, Nicole moved to Fort Benning, GA, at two months old and has since lived in Belgium, San Antonio and El Paso, Texas, and Red Springs, returning to North Carolina in 2001.

Nicole has lived in Shannon, NC, for eight years and commuted to UNC Pembroke during her college career. She said that the advantage of being a commuter is experiencing the "real world" versus experiencing the "campus world."

Nicole planned to double major in Elementary Education and Psychology because she wanted to be a teacher who could make a difference. She became close with one of her psychology professors who influenced her decision to double major, and she then decided to focus just on Psychology.

Nicole also said the professors at UNC Pembroke were great, although she wished that there

was a wider variety of courses offered. Nicole spent her spare time playing volleyball with Praise and Worship Ministries, exercising, going to church, playing with her five dogs, and spending time with her husband of two years.



She said she enjoyed working with disabled students and volunteering in public schools. Nicole also worked as a full-time employee with Crossroads Associates. Nicole said she was very excited to finally be a senior and that "being organized from the beginning will help you stay on track and get the job done."

Nicole said a great part about UNC Pembroke was the variety of professors and their willingness to help their students with problems. Nicole will miss learning new things, meeting new friends, and making memories. Her words of wisdom to other students are to "plan ahead, set goals, be organized, and try to stay on track."

By Page Jones



Jennifer Brooke Herndon

Nursing/Health Promotion
Parkton

Christy Ashanté Herring

Political Science
Wilmington

Octavia W. Hill

Mass Communication
Robeson County



Jenette Hilliard

Mass Communication
Fayetteville

Melissa Lynn Howell

Elementary Education
Pennsylvania

Dwight Brian Humphrey

Criminal Justice
Philadelphia, PA

"School here is what you make it. Spend your time wisely."

Jason Smith

Jason Chadwick Smith was a senior at UNC Pembroke from Charlotte, NC. He described his hometown as being very futuristic. Jason started attending UNC Pembroke during his sophomore year.

Jason first attended Winston-Salem State University on a basketball scholarship, but after suffering a season-ending knee injury, he was recruited by Coach Ben Miller, UNC Pembroke's basketball coach, to play. Jason played shooting guard, point guard, and small forward for UNC Pembroke. "My only job is being a student athlete," Jason said.

Jason's injury, a torn ACL, is what led him to declare his major in Exercise and Sports Science. He wanted to learn more about his injury and other injuries similar to it, and more about the body. In his spare time, aside from playing basketball and studying, he enjoyed listening to music.

Jason said that through his experiences with the basketball team he has gotten out and met a

lot of different people and has come across many interesting personalities.

Jason stayed in Pembroke Place Apartments.

He said an advantage of staying off campus is that there is a lot more space and freedom. Since coming this far in his college education is a requirement, Jason said that being a senior was just another day, and not an achievement.

"School here is what you make it. Spend your time wisely and get a good living space. It will have a big impact on your college experience," he said.

After graduation, Jason wanted to attend graduate school and play basketball in Europe afterwards. If

that doesn't work out, he wants to become a college basketball coach to give back to the community. Jason would recommend this college to anybody who is all about their education, because it is very easy to stay focused here.

By Nikki Howard



Branda Ann Hunt

Chemistry—Biomedical
Lumberton

Barbara Michellé Hunter

Psychology
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Margie J. Jackson

Social Work
Fairmont

Shelia René Jackson-Dunlap

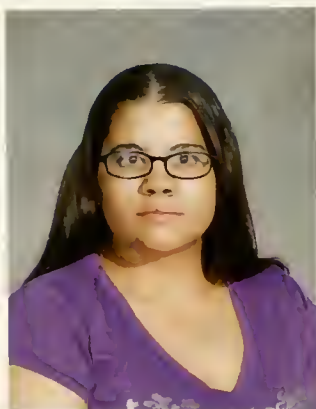
Social Work/Education
Council

Paula Jacobs

Social Work
Clarkton

Sherry M. Jacobs

Business Management
Red Springs





Lenair Koonce and Kayla Pearson pose for a quick shot before returning to homework in the library.

Christian Felkl flashes a bright smile during May 2009 Commencement.



Vikki Locklear Jacobs

Social Work
Red Springs

Sangwoong Jeon

Political Science
Seoul, South Korea

Yue Jiao

Accounting
China



Lawrence Emmanuel Johnson

Broadcasting
Charlotte

Michele Anne Johnson

Journalism
Sunset Beach

Tammy Locklear Johnson

Sociology
Rockingham

Amy Dale Jones

Elementary Education
Pembroke

Raisa Rebekah Jones

Political Science—Pre-Law
Rowland

Robin Cummings Jones

Biology
Pembroke



Solita Brenae Jones

Molecular Biology
Pembroke

Terry Ray Jones

Biotechnology
Red Springs

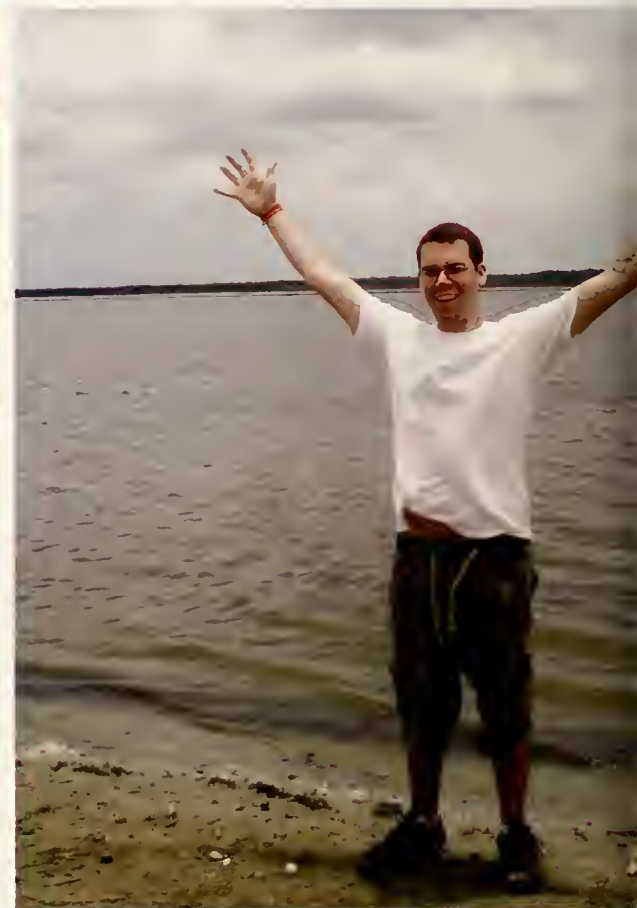
Ashton Faith Jordan

English
Fayetteville



Mike Mitchell hugs his fiancée, Amy Avirett, after his family and friends congratulate him.

Jorge Pioduda stops for a shot while having fun during an Honors College trip to Belize.





Michael Joseph Jurgensen

Computer Science
Cary



Samatha Jo Kinder

Broadcasting
Hubert



Melody Kirkpatrick

Psychology
Bronx, NY



Jessica Ann Knapton

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Charlotte



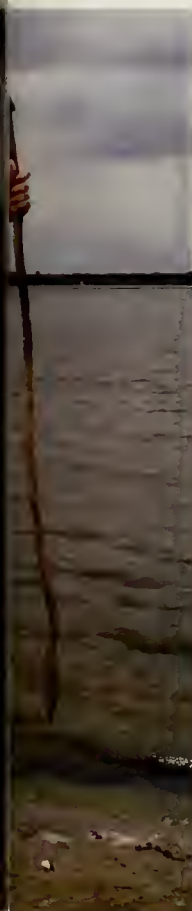
Justin Bryan Lee

Business Administration
Hope Mills



John Santos Lerma

Mass Communication
Pembroke



Kendra Daniels

"Developing a good sense of time management can greatly reduce stress."

Kendra Quanshelle Daniels, also known as "Ken Ken," was born and raised in Goldsboro, NC. While attending UNC Pembroke, Kendra spent most of her time in her dorm room, hanging with friends, or sitting around playing video games.

During her stay at UNC Pembroke, Kendra chose to stay in a dorm. She thoroughly enjoyed dorm life. Kendra decided to major in Art with a concentration in Digital Arts. She declared her major early on and didn't think once about changing it.

Kendra enjoyed art so much that she joined UNC Pembroke's Art Club. As a member of the club, she went on many outings and participated in various activities with the Art Club. During her four years on campus, Kendra held a couple of on jobs at the University. She worked at Starbucks Coffee Shop in the University Center and at UNC Pembroke's favorite hotspot, Bert's Café. She said that holding a job didn't affect her studies at all.



Kendra met a lot of nice and interesting people at UNC Pembroke, but there were two that she was going to stay in contact with after graduation. Kendra and her boyfriend Aaron Taylor dated since her sophomore year. She would also stay in touch with her friend Nadia Perez. Kendra and Nadia have been great friends since their freshman year.

After graduating, Kendra planned to get an internship in her field of study. She liked UNC Pembroke because of its size. Kendra loved the fact that compared to other major colleges UNC Pembroke was very small, and everything was in walking distance. She said that freshmen should make the most of their college experience "It can be difficult sometimes, assimilating into college and being on your own for the first time, but developing a good sense of time management can greatly reduce stress," she said.

By Alexander Orantes

Sabrina O. Leshore

Psychology/Religion
Charlotte

Qi Liu

English
China

Garrick Chebon Locklear

Sociology
Pembroke



Janet Reneé Locklear

Social Work
Pembroke

Kery Jean Locklear

Sociology
Pembroke

Leslie Marie Locklear

Sociology
Maxton



"No matter the obstacles or adversity that you come across, things are destined to change."

Cortez Brown

Cortez Brown, also known as "Tez," was born and raised in Charlotte, NC. In addition to attending UNC Pembroke for an education, Cortez was also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., and he played on the basketball team for a few years.

He later became a student assistant basketball coach. "Being a student athlete and in a fraternity gives you an opportunity to experience a lot of things others cannot say they have," he said. In his spare time, Cortez enjoyed reading empowering books, fishing, and shopping.

Cortez switched his major from International Business to Marketing because he said it just came naturally to him. He was able to get some hands-on experience by promoting events and doing some networking.

Cortez said that he was relieved and very proud to have made it to his senior year at UNC Pembroke. He said this accomplishment made

him the first male in his family to receive a degree. "My family was my motivation," he said. Cortez said that he was ready to pursue the rest of his life, but he would be a little startled about the real world for a while. After graduation, he planned to continue pursuing professional basketball. He hoped to attend graduate school at Hampton University and planned to attain an entry level marketing job at a marketing firm.

Cortez said that he liked UNC Pembroke's old slogan, "where learning gets personal," because he felt it was true. He said that he will miss the people, the college life, and the experience he had at the University as a whole. "Come in with

your priorities in order, have a plan, and stick to it. Don't let anyone deter you away from you goals, and keep your faith. No matter the obstacles or adversity that you come across, things are destined to change," he said.

By Nicole Barnes





Lora M. Locklear

Social Work
Pembroke



Mesca Locklear

Social Work
Pembroke



Paige Locklear

Elementary Education
Pembroke



Santana N. Locklear

Nursing
Shannon



Tasha Denée Locklear

Sociology
Pembroke



Christie Walters Lowery

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Laurel Hill



Sam Jeon, an international student, shows off his martial arts talents at Asia Day.

Angel Leonard is all smiles at the May 2009 graduation ceremony.

Miss UNCP Katy Locklear wears her tiara as she gets ready to perform at the annual Harmony Walk ceremony.



Stephen Love leads the marching band into the stadium at the start of the Two Rivers Classic football game at FSU.



Kayla M. Lowery

Public Administration
Pembroke

Samantha Nicole Lowery

Elementary Education
Pembroke

Jessica Marie Madden

Social Work
Lumberton



Cassie Manis

Information Technology
Rockingham

Tammy L. Maynor

Social Work
Lumberton

Tyrone Rudolph McClean

English
Williamston



Tiffany Schmidt

"Better to ask what you think may be a stupid question than to have to stay in school longer."

Tiffany Joan Schmidt was a senior Mass Communication major with a concentration in journalism. She was born, raised, and still lives in Hightstown, NJ. She lived in Oak Hall for three years, and she was engaged in extra-curricular activities all throughout her college experience.

When Tiffany was in high school, her Humanities teacher told her she was a good writer and needed to take journalism. She signed up for it and said that she'd loved it ever since. From that point on, she knew what she wanted to major in during college. She served as the senior class representative of the Honors College Council. As a member of the Honors College, Tiffany said that the professors in the program were always willing to help out students. "The Honors College has given me more fun academic opportunities than I could have hoped for," she said.

As a sophomore, she started working as an

administrative assistant for the *Indianhead* yearbook. During her junior year, she worked as the Student Life editor for the *Indianhead* and Layout Editor for *The Pine Needle* student newspaper. As a senior, she was the Editor-in-Chief of the yearbook. Each one of these jobs has kept her up-to-date with campus news and events, helped her with journalism classes, and helped her gain experience designing pages for publication.

After graduation, Tiffany said she will move back to New Jersey to either find an internship, job, or go to graduate school. She wanted to work with a magazine, particularly in graphic design. Tiffany advised entering freshmen to meet with their advisors regularly, stay on top of the classes they need, and make sure they ask questions. "It's better to ask what you think may be a stupid question than to have to stay in school longer because of a technicality," she said.

By Ruby A. Odum



Brian James McCormick

Business Marketing
Sparta

Shonda Rochelle McCrory

Psychology
Charlotte

Akiyah Naomi McGhie

Health Promotion
Reidsville



Erica K. McGirt

Nursing
Maxton

Jenel Oxendine McGirt

Elementary Education
Pembroke

Jeremy Frank McLain

Broadcasting/Journalism
Wilmington

"Stay determined, and be confident in your ability to receive the job that you want."

St. Anthony Lloyd

Saint Anthony Lloyd, a senior, was from Wilmington, NC, and was majoring in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Sociology.

Anthony was one of the few wide receivers for the University's football team. Anthony also worked at Family Dollar in Pembroke and volunteered at the Pembroke Fire Department. He stated that it was difficult for him to maintain his studies with the job and football drills, but he did his best.

Anthony said that there were a lot of new interesting things at UNC Pembroke that could be distracting, but he tried staying focused on his schoolwork so that he could graduate on time. Anthony witnessed a lot of changes at UNC Pembroke, such as the addition of a few buildings on campus and new apartment complexes.

Anthony said that after graduating, he will miss the campus, but most of all, his friends whom

he has grown with on the football team as well as throughout campus.



After graduation Anthony wanted to have a job with the U.S. Marshals or attend UNC Pembroke for graduate school to get his master's degree in Public Administration with a concentration in Criminal Justice.

He said that the Criminal Justice Department at the University is a well-developed program, and anyone with an interest in it should pursue it. He said the department has a lot of advantages and strengths.

Anthony advised incoming freshmen to "stay determined, and be confident in your ability to receive the job that you want. Make yourself marketable with the things you are doing throughout college so that you will have a few credentials to add to your résumé to give you a higher advantage."

By Iris Pugh



Nicole McNeil

Health Promotion
Lumberton

Porchea M. Melvin

Criminal Justice
Raeford

Sandra P. Meza

Health Promotion
Rocky Point



Lorianne Miklasweski

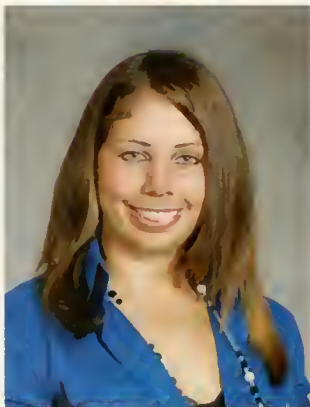
Physical Education
Sayerville, NJ

Amy T. Miles

Social Work
Raeford

Ashley Jean Mitchell

Criminal Justice
• Durham





Matt Evans celebrates with his teammates at the Homecoming game.

Marshica Watson represents her sorority, Sigma Gamma Rho, at Pembroke Day.



Angela Christina Morrison

Elementary Education
Gibson

Ashley B. Mountain

Psychology
Grandy

Jessica Mullens

Chemistry
Pamlico



Fridah Gladys Muriithi

Criminal Justice/Sociology
Raleigh

Noemi Navarrete

English
Canover

Leah Nichols

Theatre Arts
Tabor City

Theresa Ahone Nzegge

Biology
Jacksonville

Karen J. O'Neal

Social Work
Hamlet

Bobbie Renea Oxendine

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Pembroke



Dakotah Oxendine

Sociology/Criminal Justice
Shannon

Debra Oxendine

Social Work
Lumberton

Sherry Oxendine

Social Work
Lumberton



Jessica Knapton participates in Pembroke Day at the BSU booth.

Asia day is an opportunity for students like Randall Williams to show off their martial arts abilities.





Ashley Dawn Pabst

Spanish
Fayetteville



Paela Pani

International Business
Tirana, Albania



Jennifer Ann Paone-Hurd

Social Work
Marston



Shauna Lynn Parker

Criminal Justice
Portsmouth, VA



Demetrice McLeod Patterson

Business Administration
Marston



Kalya Marie Pearson

Mass Communication
Greensboro

Brittany Dawson

"UNCP was great. . . . I wouldn't trade my college experience for anything."

Brittany Nicole Dawson was born in Cherry Point, NC. When she was three, her family moved to Jacksonville, NC, where she has lived ever since. She loved her hometown, and it was a big step for her when she moved to Pembroke for college. She said she struggled, but as time progressed things got easier. "If I could go to school every day of the week, I would," she said.

She majored in Elementary Education with a concentration in reading. She chose to become a teacher because she felt that her whole life dealt with kids. Brittany worked as a lead teacher at her home church, First Baptist Church.

Ever since her freshman year, Brittany lived on campus. She loved it because it is close to everything; however, it was hard to get used to living with so many different people. UNC Pembroke made Brittany more open minded and considerate of others' lifestyles. Brittany was involved in many of the University's organizations, including Gamma Beta Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha

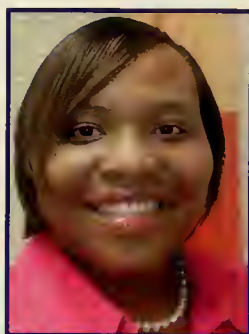
Chi, and the Campus Crusade for Christ. These organizations helped her get to know a lot of people, some of which will remain life-long friends.

After graduating, Brittany planned to go to East Carolina for Library Science and move back to Onslow County and start teaching. She said that most important thing is to have confidence in yourself; know that it is the best time of your life and give it everything you've got. It is about standing on your own two feet and always keeping an open mind.

"I am a proud senior!" Brittany declared. "At first I struggled a lot with homesickness, but my last semester was proudly spent with hon-

ors. UNCP was great because teachers knew you by name, and the small class sizes helped me do better. The experience of being in a different place was wonderful. As you know, you only have one chance at college experience, and I wouldn't trade mine for anything in the world."

By Jennifer Kocsi



Ryan Van Peedin

Sports and Exercise Science
Jacksonville

Carlos Enrique Peralta

Broadcasting
Lumberton

Nadia Dawn Perez

Biology
Charlotte

**Sanne Greta Pernav**

Biology
Washington

Elizabeth Ashley Peters

History/Exercise and Sports Science
Thomasville

Shaqwana Trimilla Peterson

Social Work
Whiteville



"When you come here, you ought to see yourself walking across the stage."

Wade Allen

Wade Allen was a senior from Rutherfordton, NC. Wade lived on campus all four years because he enjoyed being in close proximity to everything. He was a Mass Communication major with concentrations in Journalism and Broadcasting.

Wade was very involved in extracurricular activities throughout his college career. As a senior, Wade was the Editor-in-Chief of the campus newspaper, *The Pine Needle*. Working almost 60 hours a week with the newspaper, Wade was dedicated to his job, proud of the paper's accomplishments, and proud of being apart of the paper. Aside from *The Pine Needle*, Wade was a member of the Board of Directors for GPAC, Chair of the GPAC Student Advisory Board, and a part of the Friends of the Library. Through all of his extracurricular activities, Wade said, "You meet lots of people and learn how the university works."

In his spare time, Wade collected celebrity

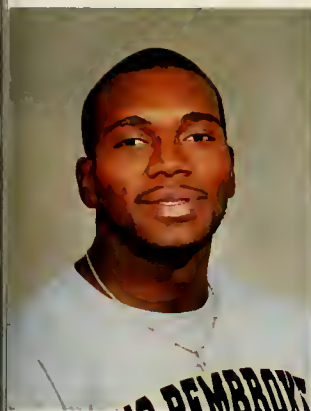
memorabilia, and over 2,800 autographs. Wade has met several celebrities from Jane Fonda to Dolly Parton. Wade was the first member of his family to go to college. Honored that he was about to graduate, Wade said, "It was unbelievable; I didn't know what to expect." Wade also said, "College is not for wimps, and it does not get easier."



After graduation, Wade had graduate school in mind, along with possibly moving up north. Wade said that he would miss the personal and professional relationships and friendships he built on campus. He loved the accessibility of the people and staff on campus.

As advice to entering freshmen, he encouraged them to get involved, serve on committees, find their niche, and work hard. He also said, "Be dedicated to the reason you're here. When you come here, you ought to see yourself walking across the stage."

By Chantel Moore



Jullian L. Pipkin

Physical Education
Pembroke

Jordan Lee Pittman

Broadcasting
Lumberton

Sarah Rebecca Porter

Health Promotion
Rockingham



Danielle Michelle Powers

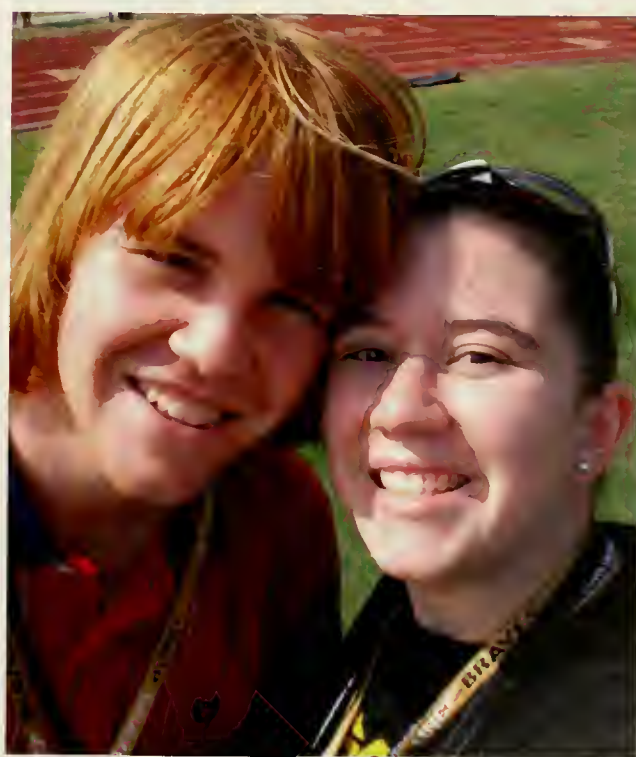
English/British Studies
Rowland

Lauren Ashley Powers

Nursing
Red Springs

Crystal Leigh Prevatte

Mass Communication
Lumberton



Desmond Batiste shows off his hard earned degree at the May 2009 graduation.

Grant Merritt and Janna Williams support the Braves football team on Parent's Weekend.

Kelly Niccum dances in front of the Washington Monument after presenting research at a conference in the nation's capital.



Lawrence Johnson enters the field with his family as he celebrates his last Homecoming game of his college career at UNC Pembroke.



Charlotte Romanda Quick

Criminal Justice
Laurinburg

Pamela Marie Panado

Nursing
Quezon

Sabrina Marissa Ramsey

Sociology
Raeford



Emily Rasdorf

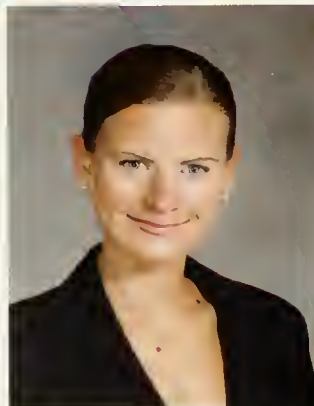
Theatre Arts
Raleigh

Brittany Monique Ray

English
Carthage

Alicia Nicole Revels

Elementary Education
Rowland



Shahnee Haïre

"Learn how to put your priorities first and then your fun."

Shahnee "Sha Sha" Haïre received her bachelor's degree in Health Promotion. Her passion for health issues, learning about diseases, and promoting good health was what led her to choose to major in Health Promotion.

Shahnee grew up in Durham, N.C., and said she loves Durham's big city life and is a self-proclaimed Duke University "Die Hard Fan."

Shahnee was a commuter living in Pembroke during her four years as a student. She said the advantages were cheaper parking permits and her own place, but the disadvantage was finding a parking spot on campus.

Shahnee interned at the Robeson County Health Department and was offered a job as a Teen Outreach Program Assistant. When she got her degree, she was hired as Coordinator. Shahnee was also an active member of Sigma Alpha Pi's leadership society, serving as co-community service chair.

Shahnee was in the Miss UNCP pageant and used her passion for dance to become second runner-up. She said that the pageant was a great opportunity to meet new people.

Shahnee said that she was excited about being a senior and ready for independence. She said that time management was very important while in school and studying. After graduation, she wanted to attend North Carolina Central University in Durham to study speech pathology.

Shahnee said she noticed the mission of the University diminished during her time as a student because the population and classes were growing tremendously. She

said that she liked the smaller classes and the one on one relationship with her professors.

Shahnee's advised incoming freshmen, "Time management is very important. Learn how to put your priorities first and then your fun."

By Casey Lucas



Carolyn S. Roberts

Social Work
Fairmont

Daisy Melissa Robles

Health Promotion
Fayetteville

Lauren Marie Salmon

Accounting
Bear Creek



Robin Renee Sampson

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Lumberton

Teresa Samuel

Social Work
Laurinburg

Kyle Avery Sanders

Broadcasting
Newport

*"Do something awesome.
You'll regret it if you don't."*

Craig Wilson

Senior Craig Colin Wilson was a Middle Grades Education major with two subjects: Language Arts and History. Craig grew up in a very small town in western New York before his family moved to North Carolina and he came to UNC Pembroke. Craig lived on campus for his first three years in West and Oak Hall. For his last year at the University, Craig lived at Pembroke Pointe. He said he thinks of the dorms with a mixture of disgust and nostalgia.

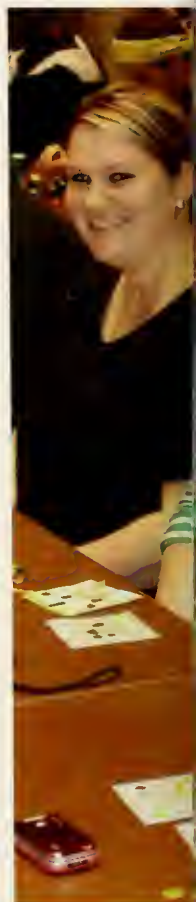
Craig worked as a tutor in the Writing Center, a server at Cracker Barrel, and as Editor of *The Aurochs* literary magazine. He was also a member of many campus organizations including the Teaching Fellows, Sigma Tau Delta, and the English Club. When not working on campus, some of Craig's hobbies were playing ping-pong, learning random historical biographies, playing Rock Band (the drums), reading young adult fiction, and writing.



Craig loved being a senior, but he did not deny having the "crippling fear and nausea that you get when thinking of what happens after college." However, as a Teaching Fellow, Craig didn't have to worry about deciding what he wanted to do. He planned to be a middle school teacher as soon as he graduated. At some point in life he would also like be a published young adult novelist.

Craig noted the biggest change at the University has been the student body; it's gotten a lot bigger and more enthusiastic. His favorite aspect of UNCP was the small class sizes because they allowed you to form meaningful relationships with professors and helped with staying active and awake during class. Craig said he wanted to shout out to Dr. Teagan Decker in the Writing Center and Dr. Karen Helgeson of *The Aurochs*. His parting advice was, "Do something awesome. You'll regret it if you don't."

By Janna Blue



Christopher Ryan Santini

Business Finance
Augusta, GA

Monique Saulter

Social Work
North Carolina

Andrew Lee Schiller

Science Education
Raeford



Tiffany Joan Schmidt

Mass Communication
Hightstown, NJ

Daniel Roy Schweigert

Computer Science
Raleigh

Harold Edison Shaw

Biology/Chemistry
Fayetteville





Amanda Webster and Heather MacDonald keep their fingers crossed as they play Bingo during a Housing and Residence Life event.

Andra Hale shows off his excitement as he crosses the stage during Spring 2009 commencement.



Melinda Marie Shipp

Elementary Education
Charlotte

Courtnie Elisabeth Smith

Sociology
North Carolina

Cynthia Emanuel Smith

Elementary Education
Fairmont



LaMorris Nakita Smith

Elementary Education
Pembroke

Jacob A. St. Laurent

Criminal Justice
Dallas

Caralee T. Stevens

Science Education/Biology
Bladenboro

Kareem Randy Strong

Criminal Justice
McLeansville

Aaron Scott Taylor

Psychology
Fayetteville

Tiffany Alexandra Taylor

Mass Communication
Fayetteville



Jessica Brooke Terry

Psychology
Butner

Jessica Shenea Thomas

Mass Communication
Rockingham

Brandie Marie Todd

Education
Lillington



Tiffany Schmidt poses with a turtle in Belize during a summer trip with the Honors College.

Jermaris Genwright, Jimmy Whorley, and Andrea Matute wait patiently for Chuck D. to arrive for the first Distinguished Speaker's dinner.





Nora Tyndall

Elementary Education
Fayetteville



Kristin Brooke Usrey

Elementary Education
Wadesboro



Jessica Ryan Villarreal

History
Hope Mills



Ava Machalla Walker

Mass Communication
Fayetteville



Jamaisha Rochelle Ward

Social Work
Fayetteville



Mytia Re Washington

Biology
Willow Springs



Carolina Choi

"She is clothed in strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come." —Proverbs 31:25

Carolina Jeongwon Choi, originally from Astoria in Queens, New York, moved to Charlotte, NC before attending UNC Pembroke. She was an Elementary Education major. "When I was younger I said that I would never be a teacher because I couldn't get up so early in the morning. But teaching has become my passion; it would be my honor to teach students, and I love kids," she said.

She was an active member of Sigma Alpha Iota, Campus Crusade for Christ, and was the Photography Editor for the *Indianhead* yearbook. She stated that her extracurricular activities kept her organized and helped her make an impact on campus. Carolina lived on campus during her senior year and thoroughly enjoyed it. "It's great to meet people and bump into them every so often," she said. She enjoyed living with roommates, saying that she was blessed to live with them. After graduation, Carolina planned to teach in Charlotte and

attend graduate school in New York afterward. She also noted that she would love to serve missions around the world. Carolina's favorite quote comes from Proverbs 31:25: "She is clothed in strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come."



According to Carolina, one of the best aspects of UNC Pembroke had to be the professors. "I will miss them, and they have impacted my mind and challenged me as an individual to be influential to this society," she said. She said that she will always stay in touch with her friends from Campus Crusade for Christ because they were her family at school. She felt very accomplished being a senior, having no regrets, although

she was not looking forward to paying off student loans. As advice to underclassmen, Carolina said, "Do what you are passionate about. Life is short, so make it incredible, but do your research and homework to get paid for your passion."

By Chantel Moore

Marshica Danielle Watson

Psychology
Windsor

Tamara Y. White-Chambers

English
Hamlet

Anitra Deveyondae Williams

Exercise and Sports Science
Charlotte



Janna Renee Williams

Elementary Education
Eagle Springs

Randall Keith Williams, Jr.

Political Science
Fayetteville

Lakysha Williamson

Nursing
Fayetteville



*"Do things you've never done
before, because it may be the
last time you do it."*

Glory Attaochu

Senior Glory Ojuduwa Attaochu was a Mass Communication major with a concentration in Journalism and a minor in Media Integration. Glory was originally from Nigeria but moved to Washington, DC, at age 12. She worked as the Photography Editor for *The Pine Needle*, the campus newspaper, and aspired to work with *National Geographic*, where she interned during high school.

She has had a passion for journalism since high school, where she was Photography Editor for her high school yearbook. Other than working with *The Pine Needle*, Glory did not work during the academic year so she could focus on her education. She commuted to school every day from Myrtle Court her senior year after living in the dorms for her first few years. She was involved in the African Student Organization and Campus Crusade for Christ. Besides journalism, she had a passion for writing her own music and singing. As worship

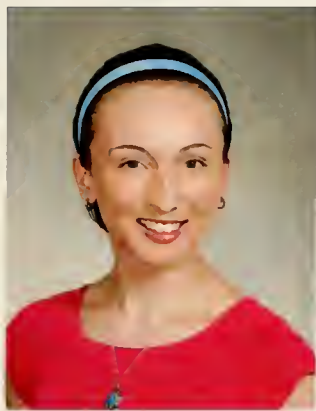


leader for Campus Crusade for Christ, she would often sing songs at their events. Her inspirational figure at UNC Pembroke was Dr. Tony Curtis. She said he was her driving inspiration. "If he really believes in me, then the sky's the limit," Glory said.

She said she was excited about graduating and was well-prepared for her senior year, so nothing caught her unexpected. She loved the diversity on campus, along with the small class sizes, which were some of the many things she said she would miss. Pembroke grew to be her second home, and she said that she looked forward to seeing the University again in a few years.

She advised in-coming freshmen to "stay on track because college can be your best or worst years depending on what you do. Stay focused on academics, and manage your social life. Do things you've never done before, because it may be the last time you do it."

By Chantel Moore



Craig Colin Wilson

Middle Grades Education
Benson

Elizabeth Rose Workman

Biology
Lexington

Aaron Devon Yates

Mass Communication
Whiteville



Brittany Quamel York

Health Promotion
Laurinburg

Meiyan Zhang

Nursing
Shanxi, China



Elizabeth Workman is in costume here as one of the many characters she portrayed in The Laramie Project.

December 2009 graduates patiently watch their classmates cross the stage and receive their degrees.

Graduate students proudly gather together as they wait to receive their master's degrees at the May 2009 graduation.



Matthew Levi Anglin

Physical Education
Marshall

Chalonda Michelle Coleman

Social Work
Washington, DC

Amanda Blair Faulk

Service Agency Counseling
Laurinburg

Veronica Kay Freeman

Service Agency Counseling
Lumberton



James Andree Gagne

School Administration
Fayetteville

Gwendolyn Thomas Gilchrist

Social Work
Laurinburg

Rosemarie Guarin Glenn

Service Agency Counseling
Lumberton



Matthew Anglin

"It was a growing experience."

Matthew Levi Anglin, a UNC Pembroke graduate student from Marshall, NC, lived on campus during his time at UNC Pembroke. He said that there were more advantages than disadvantages when you lived on campus. Matt's major at UNC Pembroke was Physical Education, although he started as a math major. He made the switch because he had a passion for sports and wanted to teach kids how to stay in shape and stay active.

Matthew held a job on campus as a resident administrator, or RA, in West Hall. Even though this job could be a handful sometimes, he still found time to get his schoolwork done. He said that time management was the key to finishing all of his studies on time.

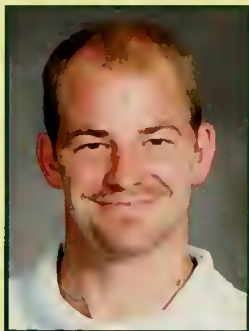
He was in the Teaching Fellows program, a University Marshal, and he was on the University's wrestling team for five years. When Matt was not busy with his RA job or his classes, he enjoyed

working out, going home, and landscaping while he was there. Matt chose UNC Pembroke because of the Teaching Fellows program and the wrestling team. He has had many professors, but his favorite was Dr. Enrique Porrua because "he could teach what we needed to know, but at the same time he did not make learning the subject boring."

Matt went to all of the football games and was a season ticket holder. The only thing he would change about the community would be for the community itself to reach out to the school. Matt said that UNC Pembroke reaches out to the community all the time with events at the school and fund raisers that help them out.

He would like to see more of the community reach out to the school. Matt looked back on his experience at college as a "growing experience." He also said it has been a eye opener for him, as far as experiencing other cultures.

By Tyler Piers



Jody Beck Hawley

School Administration
Stedman

Janice Ann Jenkins

Reading Education
Aberdeen

Yun Liao

Business Administration
Guangzhou, China



Tiffany Michelle Locklear

Elementary Education
Pembroke

Kelly Erin Parker

Professional School Counseling
Schoolcraft, MI

Michael L. Tobin

Public Administration
Charlotte

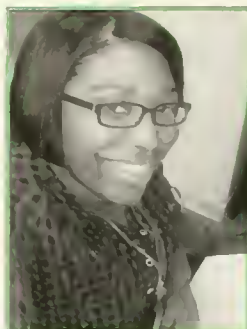
"The small class sizes are nice, and the teachers are more available to help out."

Kaylani Wyatt

Kaylani Wyatt, also known as Kay, has lived in Fayetteville, NC for sixteen years but lived on campus during her college years. According to Kay, living on campus was more convenient, and she didn't have to worry about gas money for commuting to and from campus every day. Kay majored in Journalism. She said she got started on that track in high school, where she was involved with the newspaper all four years and fell in love with it.

Kay worked at *The Pine Needle*, the University's newspaper, since her second semester on campus. She served as the Managing Editor and worked hard in the office every day. She also worked as a radio host for her own show on the campus radio station.

Although Kay was very involved in campus media, she said that these activities did not really affect her studies. She always got her work done on time. Kay enjoyed being involved in these activities because she has gained many friendships from



them that she believes will last after graduation.

Kay said she enjoyed attending concerts and discovering new artists. She also liked playing video games, watching wrestling, and reading romance novels in her free time. Kay felt exhilarated to be a senior. After graduating in December 2010, Kay planned on finding a job and moving to South Carolina. She said she was still thinking about attending graduate school and would like to become a music journalist.

She said that she appreciated and will miss the friendships she made on campus. Kay especially liked the hands-on experience she got in her field. Kay said that everything on campus being so close together was also very convenient. "The small class sizes are nice, and the teachers are more available to help out more when needed," she said. She advised incoming freshmen not to party all year because it will affect your studies.

By Anna Bartlett



Curtis Lee Adams Jr.
Vanessa Ruth Belcher
Ellen Darnell Brantley



Hayley Renee Burgess
Joshua James Caravella
Nakeisha Renee Chambers



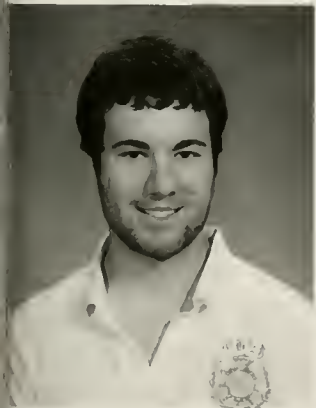


Resident advisors Kijhanique Hunt and Rijhanique Hunt enjoy the cook-out festivities during the Homecoming block party.

This student takes time to ponder a thought.



*Zheng Xiong Chen
Angelica Lea Collins
William Blackburn Cornett IV*



*Nicholas Robert Davenport
Gregory Nicholas Dial
Tessie Sarah Dugger*

*Elis Brock Eason
Shannon Edwards
Kayla Beth Fowler*



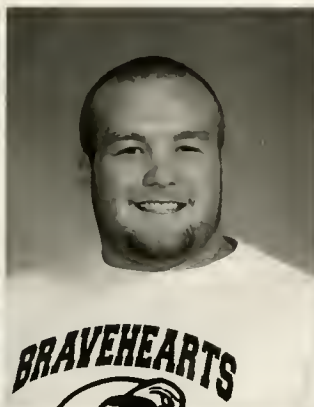
*Tameka Michelle Gayfield
Jimmy Mitchell Godwin Jr.
Michael E. Grier Jr.*



Allison Soles watches from the sidelines during the Homecoming football game.



These two students enjoy each other's company during a campus activity.



Brittany Sherrice Hardin
Jonathan Melvin Hartley
Victoria Nicole Huff



Michael Shawn Hunt
Darryl Keith Jacobs
Katherine Alice Jaworski

Rigoberto Quizon

"My life right now is all about studying and student government."

Rigoberto Maria P. Quizon, better known as Arjay, was a junior at UNC Pembroke. Arjay was originally from the Philippines and moved to the US two years ago. His life in the Philippines was "very different from Pembroke and North Carolina in general. I was city-born and bred for 17 years, and moving here to a very rural location was hard for me," he said.

During his junior year, Arjay did not work off-campus because he served as the SGA president, which consumed most of his time. Since serving the SGA took all his commitment, Arjay was not involved in other organizations on campus during his junior year. "To be honest, my life right now is all about studying and Student Government," he said.

Arjay was a commuter student and said he did not realize how much he missed out on activities and the obvious bonding with other students. Arjay majored in Chemistry because of the job op-

portunities for those in health careers. He said that he enjoyed learning from the faculty in his department. "I love the Chemistry Department people. They're very helpful, and they're very open to students," he said. He said that he really loved all of his professors and learned a lot from them.

Arjay said he decided to attend UNC Pembroke because it was the closest university from his home. He said the University left a great overall impression on him, and since he started the campus only grew on him. Arjay noted that if he had decided not to attend UNC Pembroke he would have regretted it. Arjay said he was pleased with student life and academics at the University. He said he enjoyed school here and wouldn't have it any other way. Arjay was also impressed with the campus security and other support services available on campus. "We are probably the safest university in the UNC system," he said.

By Angela Marshall



Yan Kong
Tony Lewis
Brittany Nicole Locklear



Dominick Eugene Lofaro
Jacqueline Nicole Maynor
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"Have a good advisor that is very good at helping you to get the schedule you want."

Nina Thao

Nina Thao, a junior, lived in Charlotte, NC, for 14 years before moving to Gastonia, which is right outside of Charlotte. She described Gastonia as a small town similar to Pembroke. During her junior year at UNC Pembroke, Nina lived in Village Apartments, a complex on campus, and said that she loved it there.

She liked it more than living in a dorm because there was no visitation policy and she got her own bathroom and kitchen. However, Nina said that she doesn't like living with five other roommates. During her time on campus, Nina she had a total of eight different roommates, including some she didn't get along with so well.

Nina decided to major in Business with a concentration in Marketing. She said she was grateful her family helped her in choosing her major. Nina said that in order to fully focus on her studies, she did not hold a job on campus. She planned on get-

ting a good job after she graduated. Nina served as vice chair of LSOP and loved meeting different people through this group.

When Nina was not hitting the books hard or volunteering her time with LSOP, she enjoyed playing line defense in flag football. She also loved to swim and work out. Nina said that her very first roommate became her best friend, and she believed that she will remain significant in her life after college.

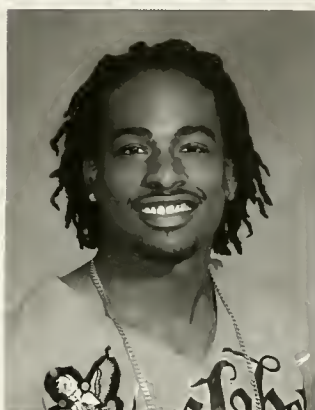
Nina liked how small the campus was. She said that it helped her get to know people and make friends. Nina advised all underclassmen to conduct a job search in the Career Center. She said that they are very personal and hard-working people and really care about helping students. She also said that students should meet with their advisors. "Have a good advisor that is very good at helping you to get the classes and schedule you want," she said.

By Megan Lovett





*Cahlin Shae McKone
Rodney Bernard McRae
Charles Grant Merritt*



*Brittany Nicole Milliken
Austin Monroe Money
Cameron Moore*



Jacob "Tank" Steiner always shows off his excitement, especially at Pembroke Day.

Pascale Locklear and Kourtney Spaulding show their school spirit at a campus event.

Arjay Quizon gives the crowd a thumbs up while he tailgates before the Homecoming football game.



Matthew Davenport and his sister Madison are excited about getting their caricatures at Pembroke Day.



*Andrew Whitfield Moorehead
Endira Morales
Wanda Denise Oxendine*



*Sara Jane Pack
Maira Adrianna Patrick
Whitney Morgan Patrick*



Gerald Hughes

"Education is growth. Education is not a preparation for life; it is life itself."

Football player Gerald E. Hughes, number 68, was a junior from Columbia, .C. He described Columbia as "very southern and preppy." He's also lived in Alabama.

On campus he lived in Oak Hall and said he liked that it was close to the field house and the cafeteria, which are two very important things to a football player. Gerald said Oak Hall was the center of everything. Being on the football team helped Gerald get to know people on campus. He said that coming to UNC Pembroke was an easy decision for him, because he received a football scholarship.

Gerald played offensive tackle and loved being able to participate in a sport at the University. He and his peers agree that UNC Pembroke is starting to excel at their athletic programs.

However, he didn't agree with the curfew given to football players during the week. He said it was a lack of needed freedom and one of the great

disadvantages of being on the football team.

Aside from football, Gerald said he attended church regularly, played video games, and hung out with his girlfriend and friends.

Gerald decided to major in Informational Technology and hoped to be an FBI agent. He liked the classes but said they aren't really that fun. After college he planned on attending law school. When he went home for breaks or weekends he worked as a counselor for about 10 hours a day.

He said he had always thought that UNC Pembroke had the best dorms and was very clean and organized. Gerald has really enjoyed attending the University and giving advice to other students. According to Gerald, "Education is a social process. Education is growth. Education is not a preparation for life, it is life itself." He advises underclassmen to get the best education possible.

By Victoria Brockman



**Anna Elizabeth Queen
Rigoberto Maria P. Quizon Jr.
Orlanda Dontray Roseboro**



**Sherayn Shipman
Amy Marie Taylor
Douglas Emanuel Taylor**

*"I don't know what I would do
without my friends."*

Hayley Burgess

Hayley Burgess was a very hard working individual whose perseverance and dedication to her studies and her career path have already begun to pay off. Hayley was from Ransour, NC, a very small town, so Pembroke was not that different to her. Hayley came into college with no idea of what she wanted to be; all she knew was that she was in college and she had to make the best of it. One thing Hayley did know was that she loved to write. Her love for writing led her to pursue her Journalism major.

Most students choose a major and do only what is required, but Hayley branched out and participated in activities that look great on her resume. She joined the *The Pine Needle* as a staff writer and shortly became an editor. Hayley said she is an example of how hard work and dedication can carry you far. Unfortunately, with this title comes sacrifice. Hayley spent the majority of her time either writing or doing schoolwork.



Even with such limited free time Hayley found a way to attend church. She supported UNC Pembroke athletics when possible and attended as many on-campus events as her schedule allowed. Hayley loved the University family and the campus. Although she had a year left, she already thought of how she will miss everything when she graduates.

Hayley stressed that she will really miss her friends who are graduating. "I love those guys so much. I don't know what I would do without them," she said.

She said that leaving college will be one of the happiest and saddest days of her life. Hayley was hopeful about finding a job after she graduated because she has worked so hard in developing a solid resume. She said she planned on making the best of her remaining time at UNC Pembroke.

By Jarvell Brown

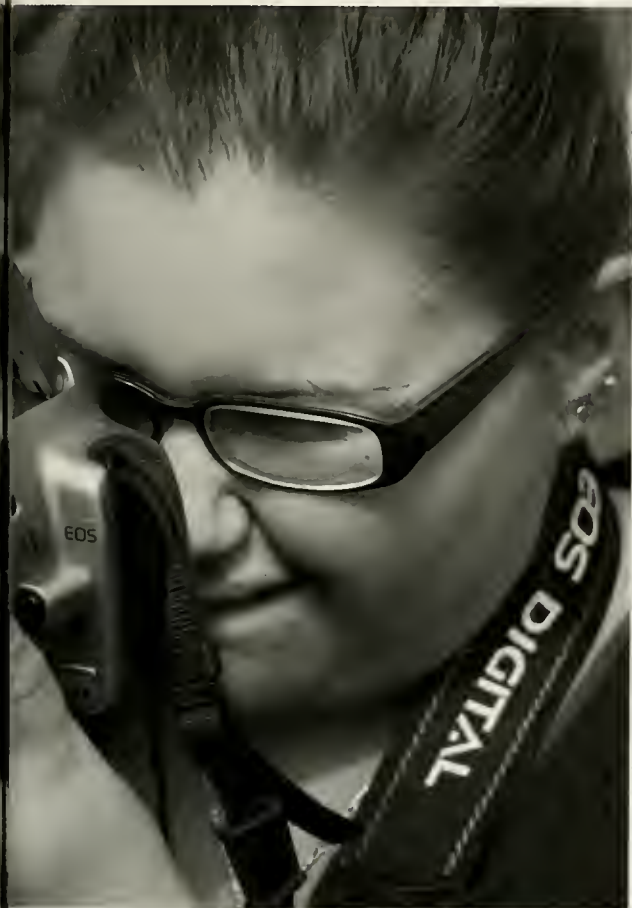


Nina Thao
Ashley Rene Thomas
Xin Tong



Keith Edward Townsend
Julita Carmen Trejos
Angela Christine VanZandt





Caitlin McKane gets ready to take a photograph during a campus activity.



Qian Wang



Zachary Kyle Ward



Alexandria Nicole Watson
Melissa Page Whitt
Willie Wilder



Mahogany Woods
Kayloni LaShay Wyatt
Min Xue

*Ismael Yaser Abdelaziz
Catherine Andrus
Melanie Lynne Baker
Daria Michelle Bannerman*



*Yurong Bian
Telia Brown
Sandra Kay Buffkin
Courtney Michele Bumpers*



*Christina LaShay Bynum
Kierra Antwana Carmine
Kristen Faye Chason
Mellisia Clarke*



Stephen Swallow shows that the excitement of learning never stops.

Liris Pugh sits pretty while attending the 2009 homecoming step show at the GPAC.





Lorai Leondra Coleman
Shankia Elizabeth Coppadge
Latif Talib Darden
Basukika Dikatulu



Syelee Vivek Dongre
Brittany Lynn Dupree
Brittney Danielle Galbreath
Rebecca Kayla Graham



Keith William Greenlee
Sarah Guo
Carlotta Maria Hagans
Shannon Lindsey Hand

John Ethan Freeman

"I love UNCP, and it will get even better as time goes on."

John Ethan Freeman was born and raised in Lumberton, NC. "It's a small town when it comes to doing stuff," he said. He said he enjoyed living on campus because he did not have to travel far to get to classes, did not have to wake up early, and everything was close by.

He majored in Mathematics Education because it was something he believed he would enjoy a lot. He had a Teaching Fellows scholarship and was also in Lambda Sigma honor society. Being a member of those organizations helped Ethan to make many new friends. Ethan said that his favorite teacher had to be Dr. Scott Blue. He said that to him, Dr. Blue understood students better than other professors, and Ethan enjoyed his lectures. Outside of class, Ethan worked as a bagger

at Food Lion in Lumberton for about 10 hours a week. Even though he liked making money, Ethan noted that working took time away from his studies.



Ethan said that UNCP had a very good athletic program with a good variety of sports and that the campus security was very helpful and, with all the technology around campus, very easy to get in touch with. Ethan said that if he could change one thing about UNCP, it would be how the food service was operated.

Ethan loved his stay at UNCP and felt it would even get better as time went on. He hoped to use all the information that he gained from UNCP, not just in his career but also in his life.

By Zachary Tyner

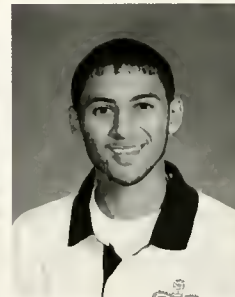
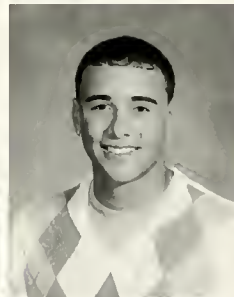
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Pamela Hughes
Ryan Scott Ingram
Jacinda Kahlila Jackson*



*Katie Renee Jimison
Patricia Jean Knight
Brandy Nicole Larson
Caleb Jarrid Locklear*



*Craig Locklear
Kamron Wayne Locklear
Nicholas Cleo Locklear
Pascale Anissa Elena Locklear*



"My family and school are everything to me."

Pascale Locklear

Pascale Locklear was a sophomore who had lived in Georgia until 2002, when she moved with her family to Robeson County. She was a small town gal whose parents lived in Rennert—a town smaller than Pembroke with only two gas stations.

Off campus housing fit Pascale's needs better; living off campus, but close by, gave her privacy and independence without giving up activities on campus. In fact, one of her favorite activities outside of classes and studying was spending lots of time with her sorority sisters. She enjoyed being involved as a sister in the Sigma Omicron Epsilon sorority. Her other activities on campus included Student Government and coaching recreational soccer. She also worked in the game room at the University Center and took photographs for the yearbook.

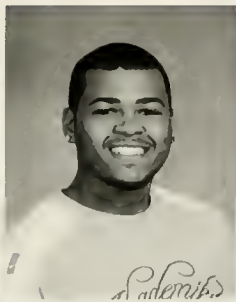


Her major at UNC-Pembroke was in pre-law. Pascale's studies had her dedicated to books and the academic world. UNCP was her choice because it was close to home and because it was small, with faculty who seem to really know and care for students. Her advice to freshmen was to "focus on your academics; you have plenty of time to pursue extracurriculars in the future."

This young lady was connected to her family and enjoyed their company. She spent most weekends at her family's home. She said, "We are very close and usually go to church, then come home to play kickball or volleyball." She also loved to hang with her friends. All she had to do was decide what to pursue in life, and she was up and running.

By Lauren Gagliardi

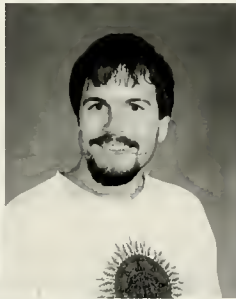




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Jeremy O'Neil Macklin
Colleen Mabonda Masasu
Chantel Laté Moore*



*Hannah Elizabeth Pendergrast
Nicholas Scott Phillips
Dezzarayi Ayron Powell
Joshua Edwin Rimes*



*Jasmine Qui Robinson
Ron F. Shoag
Stephen Robert Swallow
Stephanie Renee Tillman*



Tori Bell, Chasity Lowery, and Keno Lowery get together to celebrate an event hosted by NASO.

Alexandra Lang is enjoying the beautiful weather during Harmony Walk.

Freshman Falasia West smiles after getting a temporary a tattoo at Pembroke Day.



George Blakeney, Antwon Clark, and Jameson Leach are working together on a composition assignment for their COP class.



*Bridget Michelle Ward
Tiara Sherrell Washington
Ryann Michelle Watkins
Jennifer Lynn Weir*



*Leticia Emory Whatley
Dasharai Shambria Williams
Chelsey Nicole Witter
Alex Yang*



Kyle Woodward

"Professor Bachman made Spanish really interesting."

Kyle Zackary Woodward was a freshman at UNCP. He was born and raised in Spring Hope, NC, where he lived for seven years.

Kyle and his family moved to the rural town of Bunn, NC, located in Franklin County. Kyle was interested in majoring in Marine Biology. He said that outside of school he enjoyed fishing. Kyle believed that the General Education programs at UNCP were good. When it comes to being involved in clubs, Kyle hoped to join the Biology Club.

Kyle started taking Spanish in high school and immediately fell in love with the language. He said that his favorite professor was Irma Bachman. "She taught Spanish, made the subject really interesting, and I wanted to become fluent," he said.

Kyle lived in Wellons Hall and said that he

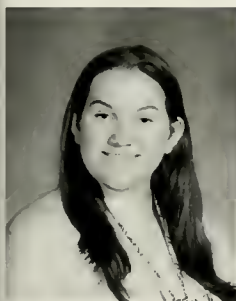
liked the fact that the rooms in Wellons were much bigger than the rest of the residence halls on campus. He said that living in a residence hall had its disadvantages, though, mainly having to get along with roommates.

Kyle decided to attend UNCP because his cousin was attending and told him that the classes were small and help is readily available from professors. His cousin also told him that professors would go out of their way to make you feel at home.

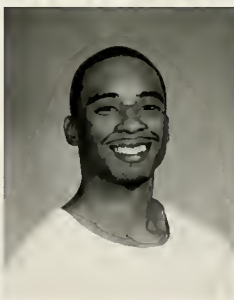
However, Kyle said that because class sizes were so small he had issues registering for classes because they fill up quickly. Overall, his impression of the University was

good. He liked all of his classes and felt safe when he walked around campus.

By Jamie Velez



**Jean Louise Antal
Philip Terrel Ashley
Deanna Lynn Barwick
Sarah Elizabeth Beal**



**Angelica Cherie Blount
Davita Nicole Brockington
Crystal Domonique Brown
Coray Stefan Butler**



**Taylor Danielle Campbell
Kwameishia Lashé Daniels
Heidi Lynn Dingwell
Elizabeth Michelle Dugoff**

*"It is very important that you are
sure you want to be in college..."*

Kwameisha Daniels

Kwameisha Lashé Daniels was born and raised in Fayetteville, NC, and a freshman at UNCP. Kwameisha decided to attend UNCP because it was close to home, which was important to her, considering she loved being with her family.

She said another reason she decided to stay close to home was because she wanted to get the feel of college before investing her time into something she may not be sure about. "As we know, it is very important that you are sure you want to be in college before you spend your time and money for no reason," she said.

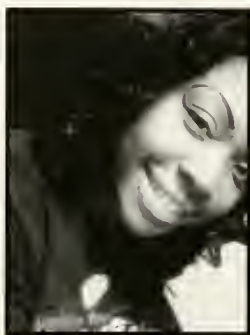
She was a nursing major with ambitions of later becoming a gynecologist. Kwameisha enjoyed living on campus and meeting people; she also liked that the dorm was near other buildings

on campus. Kwameisha spent time volunteering for her church, where she was a part of a Christian group called R.U.S.H. The group went around schools and student functions telling children about God. She also worked at a day care taking care of children from 0-6 year old.

She said her favorite professor was Douglas McBroom because she loved math. Kwameisha said she was glad she finally found a math teacher that made math fun and interesting. Kwameisha said she felt as if UNCP was making her stronger mentally and building her up for her future life. All in all, Kwameisha said

her experiences were been beneficial and rewarding and she loved UNCP.

By Yomia Strange



*Sierra Chanel Edwards
Jerde Warrene Farrar II
Cortney Lynet Graham
Jamesia James*



*Shantiqua Marie Ladson
Ye Lin
Gaven Marcel Mayo
Megan Noelle Mcmillan*



*Kuristan Kashame Monroe
Breyonia V. Moore
Emily Louren Myers*



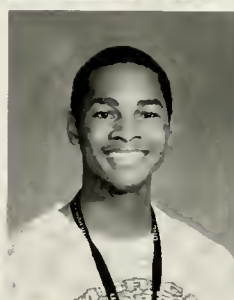


Lauren Gagliardi and Kelsey Porter enjoy the activities at the Homecoming Block Party.

Freshman linebacker Tramane Brooks gets ready to defend against Wingate in Fall 2009.



*Kimberly Vinh Nguyen
Ashley Brooke Peoples
Janae Pipkin
LaShonda Renee Pipkin*



*Charlie Scott Pohlman
Essence Reels
Jasmine Monique Robinson
Reginald Deqayne Roundtree II*



*Courtney Michelle Stoker
Beverly Gladys Vause
Michelle Simone Winfrey*

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Chancellor

Charles Harrington

Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Sandra K. Waterkotte

Vice Chancellor for Advancement



Neil Hawk

Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs

Jackie Clark

Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management

Diane O. Jones

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Lisa Lewis Schaefer speaks with prospective students during an open house in the UC Annex.

Athletic Director Dan Kenney, UNCP Chancellor Charles Jenkins, and FSU Chancellor James Anderson get ready for the coin toss to start the Two Rivers Classic.



**Glen Burnette**

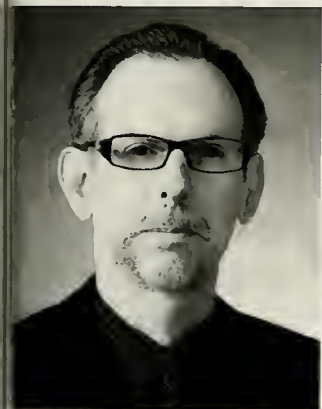
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**Robert L. Orr**

CIO and Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Technology

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Associate Vice Chancellor for International Programs

**Kathleen Hilton**

Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Planning and Special Projects

**Lisa L. Schaeffer**

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



Charles Jenkins

"Work hard because you get so much more out of it."

Dr. Charles Jenkins served UNC Pembroke as chancellor for the 2009-2010 academic year. "It's been real treat for me to work with all groups at the University from the perspective as chancellor," he said. He said his true passion is teaching and interacting with students, and working as chancellor gave him an additional venue to do so.

Because Dr. Jenkins had worked directly and indirectly with four chancellors at UNC Pembroke and has studied leadership roles all his adult life, he said that he did not have too many surprises serving his term. "I'm always trying to learn," he said. "Many things I had learned previously have been reinforced from a different perspective." Serving as chancellor reminded Dr. Jenkins what a great University UNC Pembroke is and all the things it has to offer. "We are always trying to strengthen and improve the services we offer," he said.

Dr. Jenkins said that the most challenging



thing he dealt with as chancellor was the significant budget reductions. "They are nowhere near the kind and depth of the past budget reductions," he said. Working on his fortieth year at the university, Dr. Jenkins said he has always considered it a privilege. "I receive a great deal of satisfaction and self actualization working here," he said.

"I always encourage people to work hard because you get so much more out of it," he said. He believes that people grow and develop more and get greater satisfaction and self actualization from working hard. "In any walk of life, you get out of something what you put in it," he added. "You may not realize it at the time, but it helps you grow and feel good."

After serving his term as chancellor, Dr. Jenkins planned to continue teaching in the School of Education. He said he has always enjoyed teaching teachers about administrative positions.

By Tiffany Schmidt

Irma A. Bachman

Lecturer, Spanish

Charles Beem

Assistant Professor, History

John Robert Bowman

Professor, Sociology

Mary Jean Braun

Assistant Professor, English and Theatre



Mark Canada

Chair, English and Theatre

Susan M. Cannata

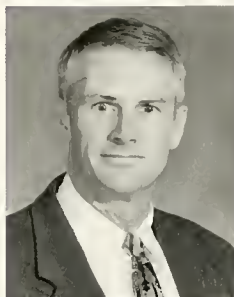
Associate Professor, English and Theatre

James Thomas Daley

Lecturer, Health/Physical Education

Hal Davis

Assistant Professor, Music



Teagan Decker

Assistant Professor, English and Theatre

Michele Fazio

Assistant Professor, English and Theatre

Valjeaner Brewington Ford

Associate Professor, Education

Elinor F. Foster

Dean, Library Services



"The classroom is a place that facilitates intellectual conversation."

Susan Cannata

Dr. Susan Cannata, a literature and composition professor at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, was awarded the 2009 UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence. The award is given annually to a faculty member on each of UNC's 17 campuses and underscores the importance of teaching in higher education.

A 10-year faculty member in the Department of English and Theatre, Dr. Cannata is a self-described idealist, believing that all students have the ability and the responsibility to participate in and influence the world in which they live. "I see the classroom as a place that facilitates intellectual conversation," she said. "Students are capable, but they need to be assisted into the conversation." In her classes, "Students learn that information does not



constitute knowledge, that only critical thinking can turn information into knowledge," she said. Although the classroom has physical walls, Dr. Cannata reminds students that ideas permeate physical boundaries, and she also works to break down barriers between herself and her students. "I don't want to tell them how to read a poem or write a composition," she said. "I believe the classroom is a place for students to enter into a dialogue with each other, with me and the world around them.

"I rarely lecture, so there is always interaction in my classes, which is not just good for students, it's good for me," Dr. Cannata said. "It is important for students to understand that I do not know everything and that they can teach me too." Colleagues describe her classroom as living up to this ideal.





James R. Frederick

Assistant Professor, Economics and Finance

Kevin Scott Freeman

Assistant Professor, Political Science

Meki Jacobs Graham

Assistant Professor, Nursing

Amy L. Gross

Lecturer, Geology and Geography



Billie Hunt

Lecturer/Director of Assessment, Education

Peter Tupawuni Imoro

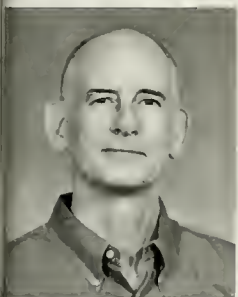
Lecturer, Spanish

Chet Jordan

Professor, Director of Theatre

Beverly Justice

Clinical Coordinator of ATEC, HPER



Walter E. Lewallen

Lecturer, English and Theatre

Georgianna Mack

Assistant Professor, Social Work

Stephen Marson

Professor, Sociology and Criminal Justice

Rohald Ardwan Meneses

Assistant Professor, Sociology and Criminal Justice



Dr. Rose Stremelau of History and Dr. Jane Haladay of American Indian Studies enjoy the food and fellowship at an event at the Chancellor's Residence in Fall 2009.

David Young and Robert Arndt of the Livermore Library serve "breakfast" to students during exam week in Fall 2009.

Dr Richard Gay and Carla Rokes welcome visiting artist Jan-Ru Wan, whose work was exhibited in the Art Department's A.D. Gallery in September 2009.



Bernice Oxendine and Larry Freeman from Facilities Operations take a break from coordinating the tailgating refreshments before the Two Rivers Classic football game.



Cynthia Miecznikowski

Assistant Professor, English and Theatre

David H. Nikkel

Chair, Philosophy and Religion

Sara Oswald

Senior Lecturer, English and Mass Communication

Mario Paparozzi

Chair, Sociology and Criminal Justice



Jesse Peters

Dean, Maynor Honors College

Preston Lee Philips

Associate Professor, Geology and Geography

Therese M. Rizzo

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Sara Coble Simmons

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Chair, Foreign Languages

Pei-Hsuan Yu

Lecturer, Chinese



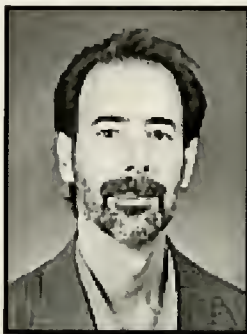


"I always tell people this is not a job, it is a privilege..."

Ben Bahr

Dr. Ben A. Bahr, a scientist with an international reputation in Alzheimer's disease research, was named the William C. Friday Distinguished Professor in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry in Fall 2009. Dr. Bahr earned two Bachelor of Arts degrees in molecular biology and biochemistry, along with a Ph.D. in chemistry, from the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Besides researching Alzheimer's and other neurological disorders, Dr. Bahr has a history of attracting grants, collaborating with the international scientific community, training student-researchers, and entrepreneurship. "Alzheimer's is a tragic disease, but once early diagnosis is made, new strategies should be able to slow it down and make it more manageable," he said. He hoped to find a drug to slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease, in-



stead of curing symptoms like most other medicines do. Dr. Bahr also hoped to train and inspire undergraduates so they could follow in his footsteps. Wanting a more research-focused job that allowed him to work closely with his goals, Dr. Bahr came to UNCP looking for change.

"I always tell people this is not a job, it is a privilege to be handed the keys to a laboratory for studying novel therapeutic approaches for Alzheimer's disease and stroke, and to train Pembroke's gifted students so they can move forward with their careers," he said. In 2006, Dr. Bahr started his own company, Synaptic Dynamics, and has published more than 120 different works. He lived in Lake Waccamaw, NC, with his wife,

Alyson. In his spare time, he enjoyed boating, fishing, and water skiing.

By Chantel Moore



Matthew Levi Anglin

Resident Administrator, Housing

Sara Brackin

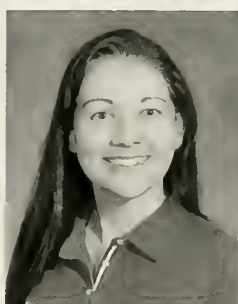
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Lela Carter Clark

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Sallyann Clark

WNCP Director/Producer, Mass Communication

Rebecca Ann Deal

Administrative Support, Disability Support Services



Pattie T. Dees

Housekeeping Manager, Facilities Operations

Patricia Smith Fields

Director, GPAC

Veronica Kay Freeman

Museum Assistant, NARC

Janet R. Gentes

Department Secretary, History

"I am often referred to as 'mom' by a lot of students, and I find it such an honor."

Sallyann Clark

Sallyann Clark has worked at UNCP for 13 years and was heavily involved in the Mass Communication department. She worked as Director and Producer of the sports news show on WNCN-TV. She has also produced several community service projects for Scotland County.

Her job varied from producing shows, assisting in productions, running equipment, trafficking for shows to be scheduled, delivering shows to other stations to be aired, and supervising the 15 to 20 students on the Sports Practicum show. "I have a passion for the students I supervise and work with in the Sports Practicum and other shows in helping them excel and be the very best they can be," Sallyann said.

Many of Sallyann's students admired her warmth and her positive attitude. "I am often re-

ferred to as 'mom' by a lot of the students, and find it such an honor to be called that by them," she said. "As a graduation gift several students made me a DVD, and in it one student referred to me as 'his' mom at UNCP."

Sallyann received her bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Atlantic Christian College. She remained passionate about her job at the University, and she called UNCP a "family" environment that makes it joyous to wake up every morning and come to work.

Sallyann said that she most enjoys knowing that she makes a difference in students' lives. "It warms my heart at the end of my day to know that somehow something I did or said today helped another,"



By Kayloni Wyatt

Deidamia Enith Gonzalez

Customer Service Coordinator, Bookstore

Carol D. Hunt

Housing Coordinator, Housing and Residence Life

Mary Ellen Hunt

North Hall Housing Receptionist

Brenda K. Jacobs

Director, Youth Empowerment Program

Sylvia T. Johnson

Director, NC-HCAP

Illya Chavis Lindsey

Program Developer/Analyst, Regional Center

Brantley Locklear

Electrical Department, Facilities Maintenance

Sherry Lynn Locklear

Government Documents Technician, Library

Timothy Heath Locklear

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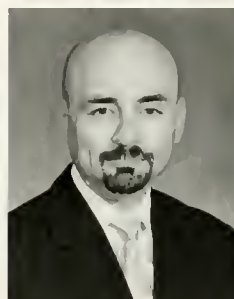
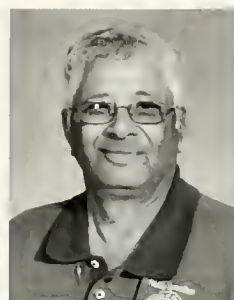
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Cynthia Oxendine

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Rosemarie Glenn enjoys making Christmas ornaments with her daughter, Theatre major Annette Glenn, during the campus Christmas party.



John Locklear of Facilities Operations performs on stage in the UC Annex along with other faculty and staff members, keeping the Christmas party crowd entertained.



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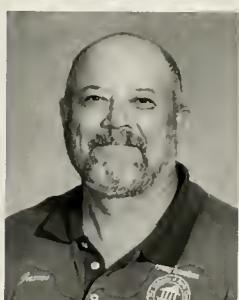
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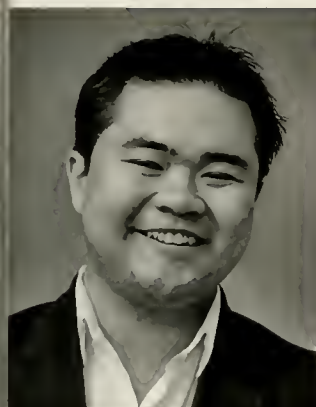


Freda Porter

Pembroke



Freda Porter, Chair of the Board of Trustees and a 1978 graduate of UNCP, has fun with her colleagues during tailgating at the Two-Rivers Classic football game against Fayetteville State University.



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Lorna Ricotta

"I thoroughly enjoyed forging relationships with alumni and students."

Lorna Ricotta began singing as a child and pursued her passion for music academically and professionally. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Music Performance in 2001 from UNC Pembroke and her Master's in Business Administration in 2008 from Fayetteville State University. Lorna became the second UNCP student to win the title of Miss North Carolina in 2000.

Before returning to her alma mater, she performed professionally for the American-Hawaii and Commodore cruise lines. She has performed and hosted events throughout the Western Caribbean and across the US, including solo performances for the Carolina Panthers, the inauguration of UNC System President Molly Broad, and the inaugurations of former Governors Mike Easley and Jim Hunt. Lorna recorded two solo CDs: *Pit Stop* and *Step by Step*.

She lives in Fayetteville, NC, with her husband, Patrick, and two children. Lorna continues

to be an active community member and owns and operates Ethos Creative Group, a firm specializing in event planning, home staging, and design.

She has served as a member of the UNC Pembroke Board of Trustees, director of Community Concerts, Inc., and director of Restore Warehouse Board. She worked as a volunteer at the Women's Center in Fayetteville and was a member of Fayetteville Young Professionals. She is also a graduate of the Leadership North Carolina and Leadership Fayetteville programs, which seek to engage informed and committed leaders by advancing their leadership qualities and broadening their understanding of and involvement in issues and opportunities facing the state.

Lorna contributed many changes to the Office of Alumni Relations while working at UNCP. "I thoroughly enjoyed forging relationships with alumni and students," she said.

By Tiffany Schmidt



Step Right

This academic year was one of many steps. Chancellor Allen C. Meadors retired on June 30, 2009, after working at UNCP for 10 years. UNCP veteran administrator Dr. Charles Jenkins served as chancellor on an interim basis while the Chancellor Search Committee took advice from students, faculty, and community members to aid them in choosing the next chancellor.

Scholarship at UNCP blossomed with several new endowed distinguished professorships, including two endowments in education, one in mathematics, one in the School of Nursing, and two in the School of Business. UNCP's first endowed chair, the William Friday Distinguished Professorship in Molecular Biology, was filled in 2009 by an internationally recognized researcher. The new Biotechnology Research and Training Center at COMtech opened in 2009, and research scientist Dr. Ben Bahr came to UNCP to help launch the program. UNCP also received a \$750,000 grant for a biofuels program.



Casey Siddens and Briana Stanton work together during a game against North Carolina Wesleyan. Coming out of halftime, Siddens sank a trey just eight seconds into the second half. The Lady Braves won, 82 to 26, and closed out the season with a 14-14 record overall.



Faith-Marie Hasz measures substrate during an ELISA experiment in microbiology. Students worked especially hard during the 2009-2010 academic year. Enrollment surged 5.7 percent to 6,661. Records were broken for freshmen, transfer, and out-of state students. The GPAs and SATs of freshmen showed improvement.



Jason Blue and others play the drums during the annual NASO Fall Pow Wow in the UC Annex. UNCP proudly embraces its American Indian heritage through campus events. The University ranked number one for American Indian graduates east of the Mississippi and ranked at the top nationally for American Indian graduates with science and health care majors.



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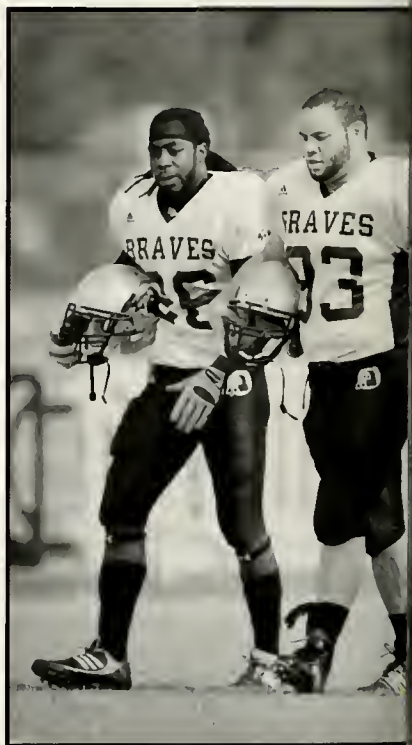
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The Next Step

In just its third year on the field, UNCP's football team became the fastest program to receive an NCAA tournament bid. The Braves completed their second straight 9-1 regular season and did not lose at home during that period. The Braves finished the season ranked 20th in the nation.

The University has taken the necessary steps to continue growth in many aspects on campus. A number of faculty published works in their academic fields this year, including textbooks, articles, essays, and novels. But faculty were not the only ones growing at UNCP. Enrollment surged 5.7 percent to 6,661. Records were broken for freshmen, transfer, and out-of state students. The GPAs and SATs of freshmen showed improvement, as did freshman retention.

A record number of students received degrees from the University, with more than 600 students graduating in May 2009 and 537 students in December. Congratulations to all the graduating seniors and graduate students. Through hard work, perseverance, passion, and dedication you are about to reach the next step in your life. Whether it be graduate school or a job, no matter what challenges you may face, remember what you learned at UNCP. Stay confident and give the world all you have to offer.





These ladies play a game of spades in the Hawk's Nest.

Chancellor Charles Jenkins talks about the importance of diversity at Harmony Walk.



Running back Travis Daniels, defensive lineman Morris McLaughlin, linebacker Adam Deese, and quarterback Cory Smith cross the field before a game.

These students practice expressing themselves through song as they learn how to play the guitar in a music class.

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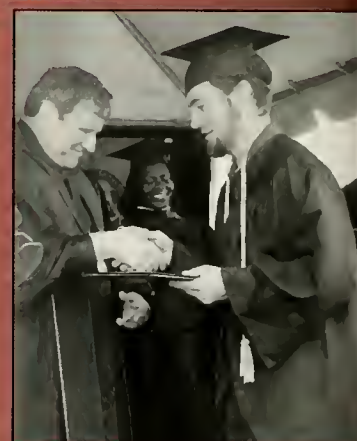
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Heather Reed plays one of the games on the U.C. Lawn during the 2009 Relay for Life activities, which lasted for 24 hours.



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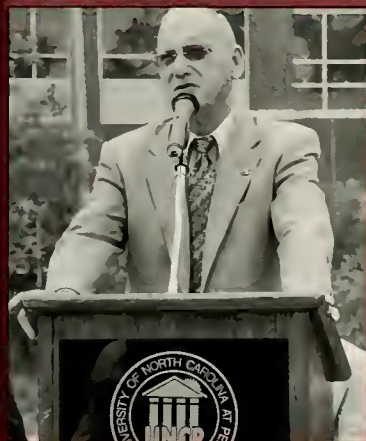
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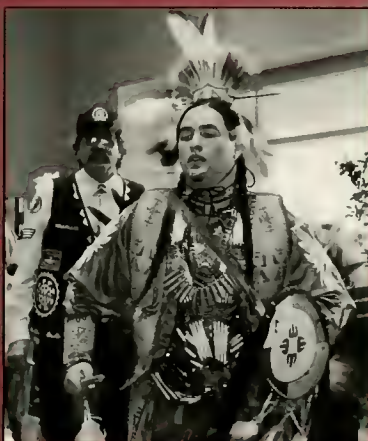
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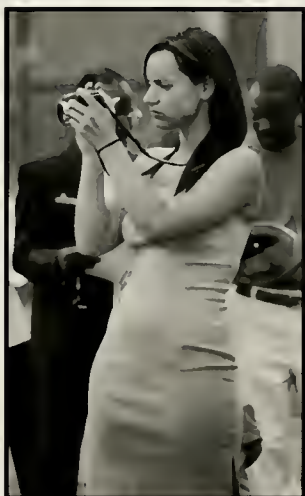
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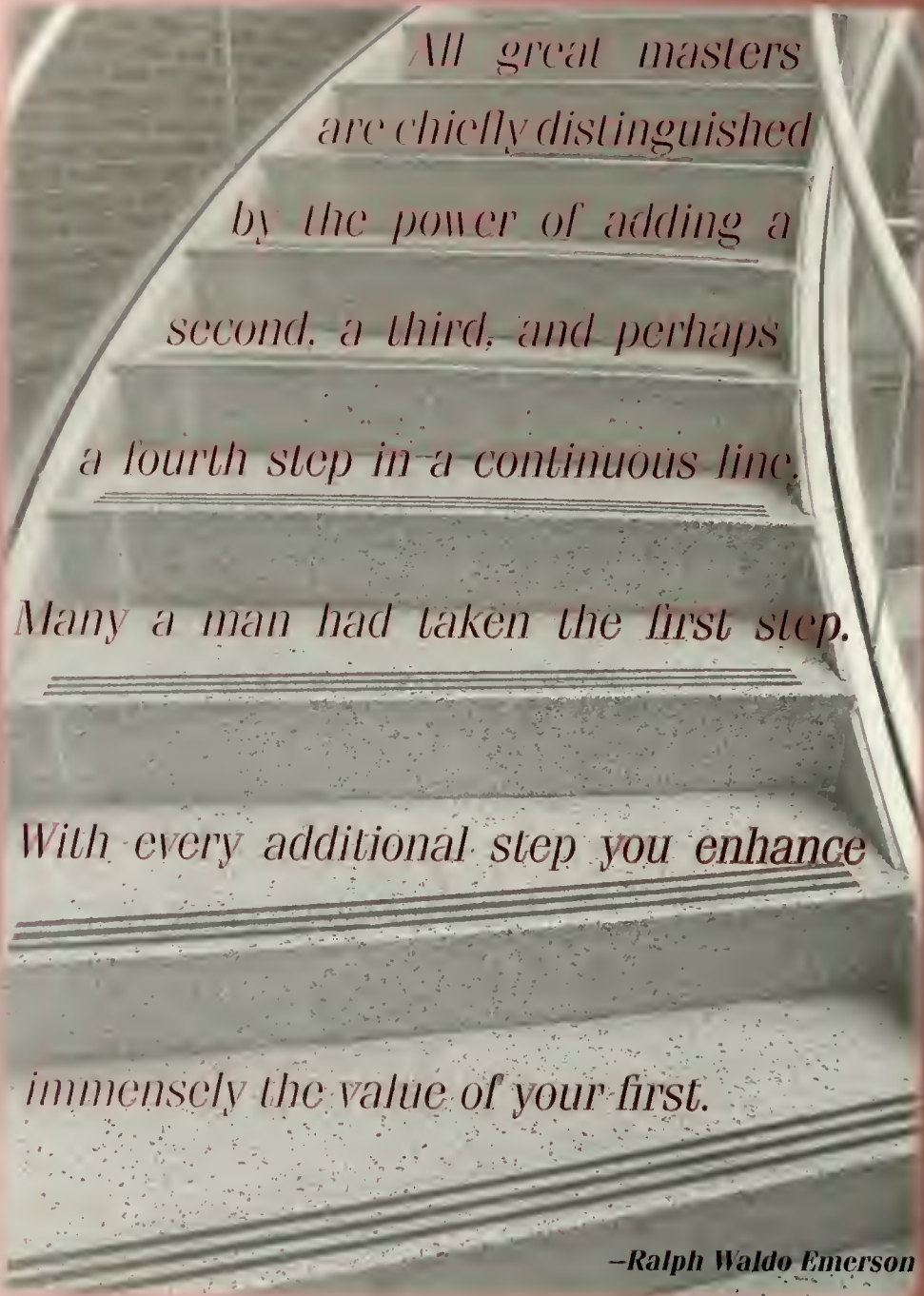
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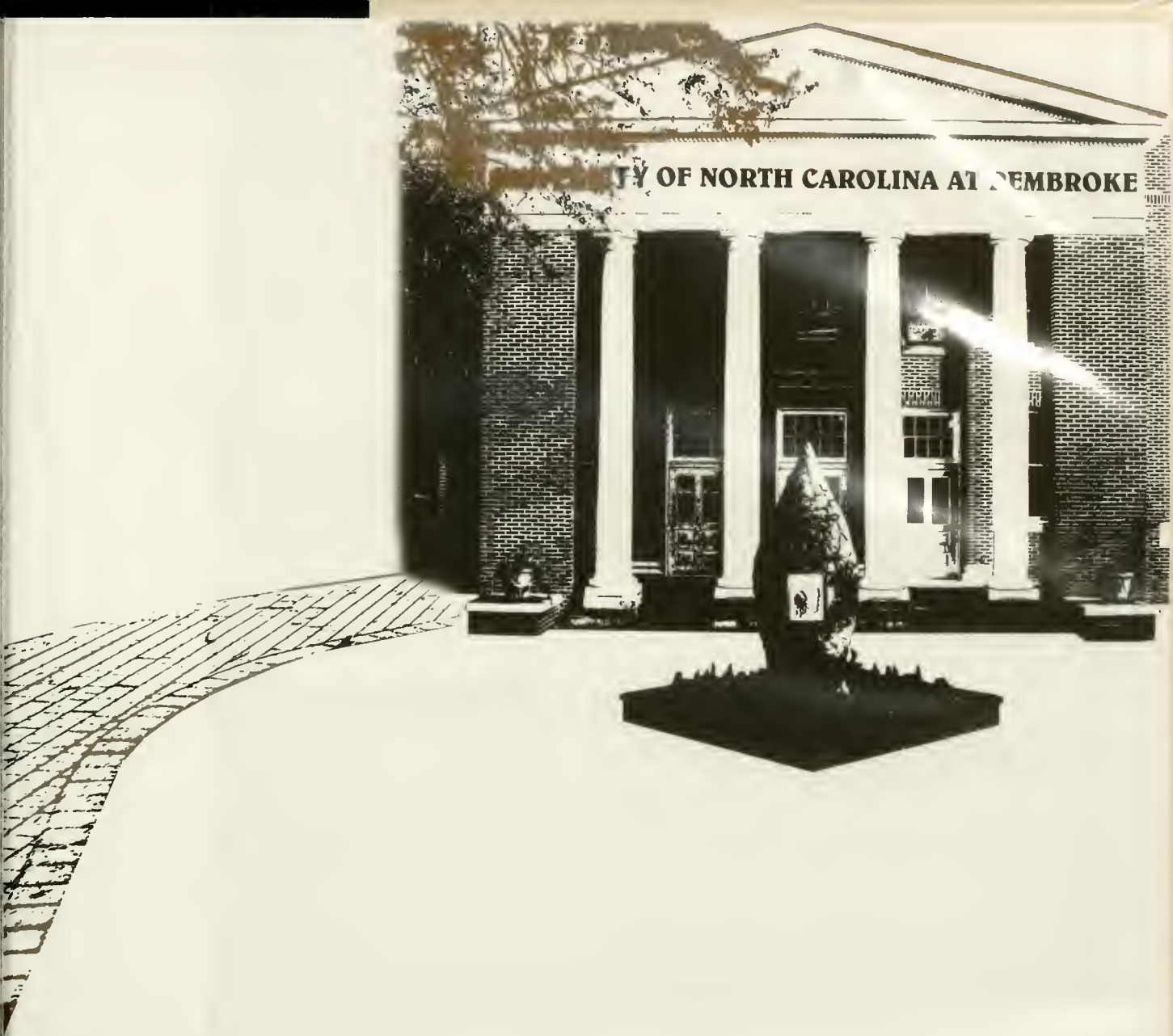
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